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SUPREME COURT RULES CORRUPT PRACTISES ACT CONSTITUTIONAL.

Reverses the Decision of the Fayette County Court in Byrne Audit and Van Swearingen Expense Cases.

UNANIMOUS IN BYRNE CASE.

Three, However, Dissented in the Van Swearingen Case.—The Cases Will Probably Be Carried to the Supreme Court For an Opinion.

Colonel William M. Likins wore the smile that wouldn't come off yesterday afternoon in consequence of a telegram announcing that the Superior Court had reversed the decisions of Judge R. E. Umbel declaring the Corrupt Practises Act to be unconstitutional. The effect of this decision, unless appealed from and changed in the Supreme Court, will be to compel a public audit of the campaign expenditures of Chairman John R. Byrne and Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen in the recent judicial campaign.

Judge Umbel dismissed the petition of Colonel Likins and others for a public audit of these election expenditures on the ground that the Corrupt Practises act was unconstitutional, because the subject involved had not been designated by the Governor in his call for a special session of the Legislature, at which the act was passed.

The Superior Court in the Byrne case was unanimous in its decision, but in the Van Swearingen case President Judge Rice and Judges Porter and Henderson dissented. Judge Orlady and the majority hold that the question involved in that case, namely, whether the act applies to candidates, was sufficiently made in the designation of subjects in the Governor's proclamation and that the subject is clearly expressed in the title of the act.

The dissenting Judges hold that the law, as it relates to filing accounts, by candidates, is not within the subject designated by the Governor, and the subject is expressly restricted to managing committees and managers of both political parties. In both instances the lower court is then reversed, and the matter is sent back for further proceedings.

Attorney E. C. Higbee, representing Van Swearingen and Byrne, stated this morning that it has not been decided whether or not to appeal the case to the Supreme Court, but intimated that an appeal will likely be taken.

NEW KIND OF ITCH SPREADING IN TOWN.

Some People Have It, Though, Who Will Not Acknowledge That They Are Victims.

Have you got it yet?

The "it" in this question refers to a peculiar kind of "itch" which is now causing great discomfort to quite a number of the residents, and which threatens to spread among so many that the question bids fare to become a familiar form of greeting.

The itch broke out several days ago, and has already taken hold on numerous residents. It is of a most peculiar form, attacking the arms from the wrists to the elbows, and the legs from the knees to the ankle. Little or nothing of an eruptive form is to be found, the itching sensation being the sole manifestation of the disease.

It is said that the disease was brought to town by some foreigner.

A railroad physician, said to be an expert, was written to, regarding the disease, and he sent from Philadelphia a prescription to be used in treating it. The prescription when used, however, is said to have aggravated the disease.

The disease is far different from the so-called Italian itch from which many of the residents suffered torturos, a year or two ago. Those who are suffering from it say that it is extremely annoying.

ANDERSON SUSPENDED.

Burgess Directs That He Be Held from Duty Pending Investigation.

Burgess A. D. Solsson this morning instructed Chief of Police Rottier to place Officer James Francis on Officer Howard Anderson's beat, pending charges of conduct unbecoming an officer being investigated. It is alleged that Officer Anderson created a disturbance at his home last night, at which a large crowd collected. Owing to Burgess Solsson not having the facts and details of the matter in hand heordered his suspension until an investigation of the charges could be made. Among other charges it is alleged that Officer Anderson was very drunk.

MORE OVENS FIRED.

Rainey Works Start Up After an Idleness of a Year.

The Rainey works of W. J. Rainey, just opposite the Fort Hill works of the same company have been fired up and it is believed that they will be operated continuously. The industrial boom which is now going on in this neighborhood is bringing good cheer at this time of the year to many in this territory. Many hundreds of idle men have been given employment during the past month. The plant has been idle for upwards of a year.

FIRE AT PAINTER BREAKS OUT AGAIN.

Workmen and Officials Did Quick and Effective Work It is Believed in Extinguishing It.

MT. PLEASANT, Dec. 22.—The old mine fire at Painter works of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, which has been confined and burning for the past year, broke out again yesterday and raged fiercely before the workmen and officials could again confine it.

A large force of men engaged in drilling holes after which they were filled with water in an effort to drown out the blaze. The fire caught about a year ago at the time of a slight explosion in the mine. It was sealed up and thought that the flames would be smothered. It is believed that the method employed yesterday in subduing the flames will be effective and that when the mine is opened the fire will be extinguished.

DETECTIVE McGOUGH GETS HIS PINK SLIP.

Long Held the Place of Captain of Detectives in Pittsburg But Ax Falls at Last.

United Press Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—Announcement has just been made that Public Safety Director Lang has dismissed Captain of Detectives Edwin McGough.

This action following so closely in the wake of the Councilmanic scandals has caused a sensation.

While Safety Director Lang has not made any explanations he declares McGough's dismissal has no connection with the conspiracy cases.

MUST FURNISH GAS TO TOWNS FIRST.

For the First Time in Many Years An Injunction Hearing is Taken Up On Schedule.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—For the first time in many years an injunction proceeding was heard on the original date set. Usually these are repeatedly delayed. It is the suit of the Fairchance Window Glass Company against the Star Gas Company, Federated Glass Company and Point Marion Window Glass Company.

A temporary injunction was granted restraining the gas company from furnishing the other defendants with gas until the domestic trade and contracts in Fairchance are given a sufficient supply.

NIGHT RIDERS ARE ACTIVE IN ARKANSAS.

Threaten With Vengeance Those Farmers Who Sold Cotton.—Must Leave State in Order.

United Press Telegram.

MALVERN, Ark., Dec. 22.—Notices received through the mail today by several farmers threatening them with dire vengeance for selling cotton have caused much alarm. The warnings are signed "Night Riders" and ordered the recipients to leave the State within 10 days.

This is the first hint that a "night riders" organization existed in this part of the country and the farmers are greatly wrought up.

Slaughtered Big Hog.

David Schollenberger, of Bechtelsville, Berks county, a few days ago slaughtered a hog that weighed 647 pounds, dressed, the heaviest porker in that section.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN WILL FIGHT TO RETAIN GRIP ON PARTY.

At Democratic "Dollar Dinner" He Makes It Plain That He Does Not Intend to Be Deposed in Spite of His Three Defeats—Would Even Run Again, "If the Occasion So Requires."

By G. S. Connell, Staff Correspondent.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—In his first political speech since the election, William Jennings Bryan last night made it clear that he will continue to dominate the Democratic party and resist all attempts to dislodge him from the leadership. At the complimentary "dollar dinner" given him by over 600 ardent admirers, he sounded this tocsin. As his first political deliverance since the election, the statement is significant.

Colonel Bryan chose for his subject "A Battle Over; the War Begun," and while this referred to the fight of the Democratic party, it was evident that the real battle will be waged by Bryan against any aspirants for his toga.

The Nebraskan was lionized by his hearers. His every utterance was the signal for rounds of applause. Although it was 1 o'clock this morning when he began his address, his personal magnetism held the audience spellbound. Chairman John Lester Keffer was in his glory. He basked in the sunshine of his idol and smiled a smile that rivalled that of President Roosevelt when he shakes your hand and says "de-e-lighted."

The banquet was a feast of reason and a flow of soul from its beginning at 11 o'clock until the silver-tongued Wooda N. Carr recited his little piece and said, "good night." There were speakers and speakers, good, bad and indifferent. Then, too, there were a couple of solos by S. Richard Knotts, but the crowd was impatient over this and made insistent demands for, "Bryan! Bryan!"

Colonel Bryan was the trump card and was played last. Most of the speakers were brief, Editor Keffer being less loquacious than his editorials would lead one to expect.

Judge Robert E. Umbel started the program at a clip that threatened to exceed the limit. He introduced Hon. John Latta of Greensburg, who undertook to tell of the "Democratic Party of Pennsylvania." There didn't seem to be much to tell, and it was said in so low atone as not to be audible a few feet away, but neither has the Democratic Party of Pennsylvania made much noise in recent years.

Editor Warren Worth Bailey of the Johnstown Democrat, the original, persistent, faithful and brilliant exponent of Bryanism, was down to talk on "The Democratic Press of Pennsylvania," but he dodged. He probably thought he had a poor subject.

Things got a bit mixed at this point. M. J. Caton of Pittsburg turned the limelight upon himself and in a rather lengthy address on "Our Distinguished Guest," whom he declared was "greater in defeat than his opponents in victory." Everybody thought the fireworks were over and the Real Thing would now appear. But it was not yet. Judge Umbel called on John I. Arbogast to talk on "The Tariff and Labor Proposition." Mr. Arbogast's arguments were scant and his address mercifully brief. He had evidently planned a few object lessons. He was provided with a blackboard, which "Bob" Sample kindly held up for him. But the audience wouldn't be hold-up, and Mr. Arbogast finally climbed down, and made way for the Peerless One.

If there has been and doubts about Judge Umbel's Bryanism, he took pains to dispel them. His speech was radical. He denounced the man who demands more than he produces; decried the evil influence of great wealth, and urged the people to arise in their might and smite a striking blow at the iniquitous system which prevails.

"And, here, gentlemen," he cried, laying an affectionate hand upon the shoulder of the Nebraskan, "is the Moses of this great movement, Hon. Willian Jennings Bryan of the United States of America!"

No one timed the applause which greeted the Nebraskan as he rose to his feet. Nor did they venture to conjecture upon which of the two Democrats, Judge Umbel or Colonel Bryan, was the outburst bestowed.

Mr. Bryan's remarks held an especial significance. It was his first political speech since the election. Referring to Judge Umbel's remarks, he declared he was glad to hear such a description of prevailing social conditions from a citizen of the State which has done so much to create them. Had he made the same remarks they would have called it Western radicalism, but he would like to compare Western radicalism with Eastern conservatism.

Mr. Bryan severely censured the political conditions existing in this State and attributed them to pernicious corporation influences. This discussion led up to platforms.

"I love my platform as well after the election as I did before," he declared. He then proceeded to elucidate his present position in the party and made it plain he would resist any efforts to supplant his principles. He denied he had ever tried to think for the party, but always to think with it, but he didn't mention the Denver Steam Roller that passed over Colonel Guffy.

"I am still a young man, not yet 48, and for many years to come I expect to keep step with the toiling masses, to join their every peril, to share their burdens and to be a colaborer in their determined efforts. Who shall ask me to let go this government? It is the only thing of value I have to leave my children.

"One has to bear responsibility to be a member of a great party. I hope it shall never be necessary for me to be a candidate for public office again, but no enemy of mine can ever get me to say I shall not again be a candidate if the occasion requires.

"I shall help keep the Democratic party Democratic, and if any man announces his intention to convert the party into a Republican party, I shall be there on the train to fight him."

Bryan censured the Democrats of Pennsylvania for not securing control of their party when afforded the opportunity through the medium of the uniform primary law. He didn't appear to have a very good opinion of Pennsylvania's Democracy, but whether on account of Wade Hampton Echard's presence in the ranks or the de-

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BRYAN SAYINGS.

I hope it may never be necessary for me to be a candidate for public office again. But no enemy of mine can ever get me to say I shall not be a candidate again if the occasion requires.

I love the Democratic platform as well after election as I did before.

I have never attempted to think for the people, but to think with them. I am a young man yet and expect for many years to keep step with the toiling masses.

The first thing for the Democratic party in Pennsylvania to do is to become Democratic.

The curse of this country is the corporate influences which dominate the land through the medium of the Republican party.

I might have won had I been willing to purchase a victory as the Republican party purchased its victory. I was defeated by influences no Republican can defend without blushing.

I would not trade places with Mr. Roosevelt who dragged his high office down to make a football in American politics. I would not trade places with Mr. Taft and be tied as he is tied to the interests that gave him his election.

The prosperity of the past twelve years was not Republican prosperity. It spread to the four corners of the earth and was caused by the unparalleled increase in the production of gold.

I feel no discouragement in defeat but am confident that Democracy will triumph in the end.

The Democratic party has been more influential in defeat than the Republican party has been in victory.

Do you wonder I enjoy life in spite of defeat? I gain pleasure in the triumph of an ideal.

LOCAL DEMOCRATS NOT AT BANQUET.

Don't Like Echard and Are Through With Bryan But Like Johnson.

It looks as though the opening battle for the Democratic nomination in 1912 is being fought on Fayette county soil. The first guns were fired at the dollar dinner in Uniontown last night when William Jennings Bryan, thrice defeated but undismayed, made it clear that he will contest the control of the party against the field.

A sequence is anticipated soon after the first of the year as the Connellsville Democrats are said to have experienced a change of heart. The Connellsville men realize, it is said, that Bryan is a dead one, politically, and will not ally themselves with his standard again. Then, too, the presence of the Commoner in this county under the guardianship of Wade H. Echard, ertswhile Republican and of no especial political standing in either party, caused many to hold aloof from the neighborhood.

Arrangements are being made to entertain Governor John A. Johnson at a function similar to that held last night in Bryan's honor. It is proposed to hold a love feast in the Armory, when the Minnesotan will be acclaimed the new Moses by that branch of the Fayette county Democracy which is wavering in the balance and just about ready to abandon Bryanism for all time.

Governor Johnson is recognized by many as having the prior claim to the nomination in 1912 and he can be expected to wage a hard fight to land the coveted honor. The Connellsville Democrats aspire to be in on the ground floor of the movement and anticipate any demonstration for Johnson that can be expected to burst forth in the future.

It is likely that the dinner will be held under the auspices of the Spanish-American war veterans, who are not in sympathy with Bryan's views on the Philippine question, but regardless of who gives the banquet, efforts will be made to have a more representative Democratic gathering, especially at the head table, than was seen with Mr. Bryan last night.

Governor Johnson will lecture in Scottdale early in 1909 under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. of that place and it is likely that he will not be permitted to leave the region in so unostentatious a manner as he did on the occasion of his visit to Fayette county last week.

POLICEMEN'S TURKEYS ARRIVED THIS MORNING

Burgess Solsson Will Present All the Officers With Fine Birds For Christmas Dinner.

Burgess Solsson this morning received a consignment of turkeys from the mountains and will make his annual donation to the police force for Christmas. Since assuming the office of Burgess Mr. Solsson has given the members of the borough police force turkeys for their Christmas dinners.

The turkeys are big fellows and will go far towards making a great meal for the officers next Friday. This, in part, explains why the officers are particularly loyal to the Burgess.

New Mills at Homestead.

Two new finishing mills, five blast furnaces and 12 open hearth furnaces are soon to be added to the steel trust's plants at Homestead and Duquesne at an outlay of $2,000,000.

Eathquakes In Montana.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Advices from Virginia City say the inhabitants are in terror following six earthquakes shocks which shook the place yesterday and last night.

TUCSAH IS GIVEN TWO YEARS IN PEN.

Frank Tucsah Sentenced for Killing Jesse Reynolds.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—Frank Tucsah, convicted of manslaughter for the killing of Jesse Reynolds at Whitsett on September 17, last, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by Judge Umbel this morning. Judge Umbel stated the circumstances surrounding the case warranted extreme leniency on the part of the court.

William Noble, colored, was given a $75 fine and six months to the workhouse for carrying concealed weapons and had a year added for pointing firearms.

The sentence of a year in the workhouse meted Sam Lewis, colored, for larceny, was reduced to a similar time in jail.

Motion for a new trial was filed in the case of Fred Miller, convicted of stealing hides.

SPECIAL SERVICE

Furnished by the West Penn Last Night Was Excellent.

Special cars to all parts of the county were run by the West Penn railways after the "dollar dinner" at Uniontown last night. Division Superintendent C. E. Fife was in charge of the specials and dispatched them immediately after the banquet.

There were cars to Connellsville, Fairchance, Brownsville and Masontown, and all were well patronized. The cars left Uniontown shortly after 2 o'clock this morning and made excellent time on all divisions.

The Weather.

Snow tonight and Wednesday, is the noon weather bulletin.

SLAV CHARGED WITH MURDER; NO MARK ON DEAD MAN'S BODY.

Foreigner Arrested for Stabbing and Charged With Murder, But the Undertaker Makes Peculiar Discovery.

GILSEY HOUSE BURNS.

Old New York Hostelry May Be Destroyed By Flames.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The Gilsey House, one of New York's oldest hotels, located at Broadway and 29th streets, is on fire. The upper stories of the newly constructed building are in flames and it is feared the hotel will be totally destroyed.

COUNCILS AGHAST AT PROSECUTIONS.

Wholesale Arrests For Corruption Strike Terror Into Many Hearts.

United Press Telegram.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—Wholesale charges of bribery and general corruption in Pittsburg's Councils, which has resulted in the arrest of seven Councilmen and two former bankers, the most sensational move in many years against alleged malfeasance in local legislative circles, have fairly disrupted the civic and political circles of Greater Pittsburg. At the same time promises of more arrests in the near future have made the lawmakers stand aghast and the question on nearly every lip to day is "Who next?"

Public Safety Director Lang at noon today made this significant statement:

"We are not going to allow the accused men to waive a hearing and expect to bring out all tangible evidence in the case at the preliminary examination tomorrow morning. There will be no arrests today but I expect many arrests to follow the hearing before Magistrate Brady."

Will there be wholesale arrests?" was asked.

"Yes," was the emphatic answer.

All city officials involved in the prosecutions maintain an air of secrecy today and will give out nothing further than that already divulged in the informations.

BRYAN AND JOHNSON ARE IN GREENSBURG.

Commoner Talked to Teachers This Morning While Governor is Big Card Tonight.

Greensburg today had the honor of entertaining two of the leading Democrats of the country, William J. Bryan and Governor John A. Johnson. Mr. Bryan spoke for about 20 minutes before the Teachers' Institute during his brief stop in Greensburg, where he arrived from Uniontown shortly after 11 o'clock. At Scottdale he was also greeted by a large and enthusiastic crowd.

Tonight Governor Johnson will speak before the Teacher's Institute. Indications are that he will be greeted by a record breaking audience, one that [illegible] at his reception in Uniontown last week.

POOR SHOOTING MAY CASUE TWO DEATHS.

Crigger Fatally Injures Offending Partner and is In Turn Assailed By Mob.

United Press Telegram.

DUBRING, W. Va., Dec. 22.—George Crigger, who because he was disgusted at the poor marksmanship of Edward Bell, his partner in a turkey shooting contest, struck the latter over the head with his gun and fractured his skull, was last night taken from his home by a mob.

After being beaten and shot he was left for dead, but later revived sufficiently to drag himself over the frozen ground two miles to a neighboring house. His injuries are fatal. Bell, his victim, will also die.

Two Divorces Granted.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—Two divorces were granted this morning, the marital ties between Ethelbert Thomas and Frances L. Thomas being separated, together with those that formerly bound Henry W. Hogben and Bertha P. Hogben.

Will of Henry Kellenberger.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—The will of the late Henry J. Kellenberger of Connellsville was admitted to probate this morning. The entire estate is left to a sister, Mary Elizabeth Kellenberger, who is named executrix without bond.

MEN HAD HEATED QUARREL.

Dead Man Had Been Convicted of Selling Cigarettes and This Brought Out a Discussion As to Who Should Run the Place.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 22.—Charged with the murder of a Slav at the boarding house of Mrs. Jano Tawlopski at Filbert works, Philip Antonetti, aged 30, an Italian, was arrested this morning by Constable William Briscoe and brought to the Uniontown jail. Antonetti stabbed the Slav, it is alleged, and immediately made his getaway, but returned about the time the Constable arrived. He did not know his victim was dead.

Undertaker Dearth, who took charge of the body, discovered, following Antonetti's arrest, that the victim did not have a mark on his body, which makes the stabbing theory untenable. The man's name cannot be learned as no one seems to know him and his companions in the boarding house have disappeared. It will probably take a Coroner's inquest to determine the exact cause of death.

Antonetti was the only Italian living at the house and since Mrs. Tawlopski's husband was convicted for selling cigarettes to minors some weeks agothere has been an argument as to who should run the house.

Being the only Italian of the crowd, Antonetti was outvoted at a heated session early this morning and proceeded to get vengeance, it is said, by means of a stiletto.

The other boarders disappeared at the same time with Antonetti and have not yet been located. County Detectives Alex McBeth and Frank McLaughlin went to the scene this morning to gather evidence in the case.

MORE STEEL ARRIVES FOR THE YOUGH BRIDGE

New Haven Side Will Have to Be Repaired As It Is In a Dangerous Condition.

More steel arrived yesterday for repairs to the Yough Bridge, although the Penn Bridge Company which has the contract for additional work on the bridge will probably not begin work on it until warmer weather. The amount of steel to be used in the additional work appears to be considerably more than that used in the Connellsville side of the bridge.

Since the first repair work was started it was quickly discovered that the work would have to be carried farther than anticipated. It is probable that the work in contemplation now will cost the county upwards of $4,000, but it is absolutely necessary. All teamsters recognize the fact that the New Haven end of the bridge is in bad shape if not worse condition than the Connellsville side.

ACCIDENT CAUSES ONLY SHORT DELAY.

County Engineer J. B. Hogg Inspects Wrecked Bridge at Point Marion Body Recovered.

County Engineer J. B. Hogg was at Point Marion yesterday inspecting the damage done to the bridge at that point by Sunday's accident. He says that a delay of but four or five days is likely to be encountered. Five pieces of iron fell into the river but they were massive things and not likely to be twisted by the fall.

The body of Joseph Gallagher, the one man killed in the accident, was removed from the river yesterday. Clifton Carr and Morris Thropp, who were injured, are doing nicely.

Liquor License Application.

The first application for license to sell liquor so far filed in the Washington county court is that of Arthur W. Day of Charleroi. License court will not sit until February. Day is a brother-in-law of Congressman-elect J. K. Tener of Charleroi.

Debt Reduced, is Still Big.

Bonds to the amount of $27,000 have just been cancelled in York county, reducing the debt of the county to $716,000.

Vote On Water Supply.

The citizens of Bethlehem will vote in February on the question of a new water supply at a cost of $175,000.

In Social Circles.

Peace Day Observed.

The W. C. T. U. of Mill Run observed "Peace Day" last Wednesday at the home of Miss Gertrude Hutchinson, superintendent of the Social and Red Letter Department. The house was beautifully decorated in the colors, red, white and blue, and many ferns.

The following program arranged by Miss Hutchinson was carried out: Song, "America;" reading of the 46th Psalm by Mrs. Nellie Showamn; prayer, W. S. Colborn; address, F. S. Wortman; vocal solo, "The Great Crusade;" solo, Mrs. C. M. Coffin; address, Mrs. W. S. Colborn; select reading, Mrs. F. S. Wortman; vocal duet, Mrs. Nellie H. Showman and Miss Agnes Hutchinson; recitation, "Pledge With Wine," Mrs. C. M. Coffin; address, Mrs. Nellie Showman of Connellsville. Mrs. Showman is an honorary member of the Mill Run W. C. T. U.

A social hour followed the program during which time refreshments were served. Vocal solos were also rendered by Mrs. Nellie Showman, Rev. Wortman, W. S. Colborn, Mrs. C. M. Coffin and Miss Agnes Hutchinson. Twenty-eight persons were present and the meeting was a most enjoyable one. The next business meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wortman. The Union is also planning for a course of lectures to be given in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vance entertained a number of their friends Saturday at their home at Vance's Mills in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary and also in honor of their son, S. W. Vance, and his bride, who was formerly Miss Fortney. A feature of the gathering was a beautifully appointed dinner served about 1 o'clock. Mrs. Vance and her daughter-in-law received many very pretty presents in remembrance of the happy occasion.

Firemen's Dance.

The New Haven firemen have completed arrangements for their Christmas dance to be held on Christmas Eve in the New Haven auditorium. Music will be furnished by Kiferle's orchestra and a most enjoyable evening is looked forward to.

Dance at Scottdale.

Invitations have been received here for a dance to be held in Ellsworth park auditorium, Scottdale, Tuesday evening, December 29, by the Cotillion Club, under the committeeship of Ralph Loucks and Albert Zearley.

Granted Marriage Licenses.

John G. Sleighter of New Haven and Miss Mabel Tissue of Bear Run, Beni Luce and Miss Edna Brownelter of Perryopolis, were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown.

Christmas Wedding.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Ethel Buchannon of Normalville and Albert Minerd of Uniontown. The marriage will take place on Christmas Day.

FAMILY OF LARGE PEOPLE.

Numbers 13 and Aggregate Weight is 2571, Average Nearly 200.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brooks, formerly of Smithfield, Fayette county, now living in Astoria, Ill., have raised a family of 11 children, the average weight of whom is nearly 200 pounds. All of these 11 children except two were born in Fayette county and the family moved west 18 years ago. The Astoria Searchlight says:

"Mr. Brooks and wife have raised a family of 11 children, all in good health. The smallest weighs 150 pounds and the largest 262 pounds. Weight of mother, father and family is 2,571 pounds, just 29 pounds short of an average weight of 200 pounds each.

"Following are the names of the children and their ages and weights: Dora, aged 13, weight 187; Albert, aged 16, weight 160; John, aged 19, weight 165; Lizzie, aged 19, weight 220; Emma, aged 22, weight 218; Lucinda, aged 23, weight 208; Sarah, aged 26, weight, 150; Emanuel, aged 28, weight 240; May, aged 30, weight 262; Will, aged 31, weight 180; Jennie, aged 33, weight 204; father, aged 56, weight 197; mother, aged 50, weight 200.

EXTERNAL REMEDY FOR ECZEMA.

Why Salves Fail While a Simple Liquid Has Accomplished Thousands of Cures.

It is now thoroughly established among the best medical authorities that eczema is purely a skin disease, due to a germ and curable only through the skin. It is not a blood disease at all; in fact, thousands of people suffer with skin disease and are perfectly healthy otherwise, and therefore prove they have no diseased blood.

Smeary salves cannot reach the germs because they do not penetrate the skin. The only way to reach the germs is by means of a penetrating liquid.

Such a liquid can be obtained by simply mixing ordinary oil of wintergreen with thymol, glycerine and other healing agents. This compound known as D. D. D. Prescription stops the itch instantly—and the cures all appear to be permanent. In fact, it took thousands of cures, case after case, before the best scientific authorities were convinced of the absolute merit of this remedy. The effect of D. D. D. Prescription is numbing the itching after the first application. We especially recommend D. D. D. Prescription in connection with this treatment.

J. C. Moore, Druggist, Water street, Connellsville, Pa.

Read carefully the advertisements

MRS. ANNIS TESTIFIES

Declares Thornton Hains Beckoned Brother to Fatal Spot.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains reached a climax of dramatic intensity when Mrs. Helene E. Annis, widow of William E. Annis, pictured the killing of her husband as he sat at the tiller of his boat by Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr.

Thornton Hains lost much of the easy nonchalance that has characterized his manner in previous sessions. When led from the court the prisoner appeared dejected and careworn.

Mrs. Annis made an impressive figure on the witness stand as she told in quiet tones her story of Aug. 15 at the Bayside Yacht club. Several new points of evidence added dramatic interest to the trial.

When Annis's boat came alongside the float, the widow testified, Thornton Hains beckoned to his brother and led the way down the runway. The shooting followed within a few minutes.

Lawyer McIntyre sought to discredit the "beckoning episode," which the state asserts proves that the author induced the army captain to commit the crime.

"I ran down the runway and Thornton Hains pointed his revolver at me. I turned to go back and he pressed the weapon against my back, saying, 'You get out of here or you will get the same.' I ran up the runway and, looking back saw my husband fall into the water." So said Mrs. Annis in relating her story, and this new evidence the lawyers for Hains struggled vainly to discredit.

IS GOMEZ FAITHLESS?

Acting President of Venezuela Organizes New Government.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 22.—Vice President Gomez, to whom General Castro handed over the presidency on his departure for Europe, has established a new government in Venezuela. He has replaced the old ministry, the leader of which was Dr. Jose de Jesus Paul, the minister of foreign affairs, who has been the one figure outside of Castro himself in the negotiations that culminated in the ousting of Minister de Reus and the severance of diplomatic relations with Holland, with a new body of men who represent various factions in the state.

Not only has Dr. Paul disappeared from the councils of the nation but Dr. Baldo, who is traveling in Castro's suite abroad, also has been removed as minister of education.

William L. Mathues Critically Ill.

Media, Pa., Dec. 22. — William L. Mathues, former state treasurer, who has been ill at his home here, is reported to have taken a turn for the worse. His condition is extremely critical.

Christmas Cantata.

There will be a grand comic Christmas Cantata in Payne's A. M. E. Church, New Haven, on Christmas night, December 25. "The Teddy Bears' Christmas." Admission 10c. Everybody invited. H. Brown, Supt., Rev. L. V. Jones, pastor.

Men Are Furloughed.

Because the appropriation has been exhausted the repairmen of the Connellsville shops were laid off indefinitely. About 75 are affected. It is expected that the layoff will end with the first of the year.

Cotton Steamer Wrecked.

CUXHAVEN, Germany, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—A British cotton steamer from Galveston to Liverpool was wrecked today at Point Mizzenhead. The captain and six of the crew were drowned.

Newman Resigns.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—President W. H. Newman of the New York City lines presented his resignation today at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

Local and Personal Mention.

PERS

Mrs. Guy Reed of Beaver, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gilmore, of Fairview avenue.

Robert Dunn is ill at his home on Seventh street, New Haven.

Mrs. Lee Gibson and baby have returned home from a visit with relatives in Uniontown.

W. W. Kern was in Uniontown yesterday on business.

The South Connellsville Athletic Club is erecting a modern office in the rear of Rev. Seaman's home at South Connellsville. The boys are progressing wonderfully in their sports.

Fred Kurtz is expected to arrive home for Christmas from Battle Creek, Mich., where he has spent some time for the benefit of rheumatism, of which he has been a sufferer for the past few years.

Reymer Green Seal Candles. Can be had at Huston's drug store. Call and look them over.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gulbbord have returned home from their wedding trip in Camden, S. C. Mrs. Gulbbord was formerly Miss Sarah Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kell Long, of New Haven.

Mrs. P. E. Sheppard of Uniontown, was in town yesterday en route east.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McGill of Dawson, were in town yesterday.

Harry L. Geyer of Pittsburg, was here yesterday on a business mission.

Miss Irene Huston went to Greensburg this afternoon and this evening will attend a dance to be given by the Nemacolin Club of Greensburg.

Walter Madigan is home from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., for his Christmas vacation.

Lee Morris is home from the West Virginia University at Morgantown.

James Millard, who is stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., in the field artillery, is home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Millard. He will remain home until after Christmas.

Henry Goldsmith is in Uniontown today on business.

Mrs. Mary E. Daigh, librarian of the Carnegie Free Library, left this morning for Chicago, where she will spend Christmas with friends.

Pictures framing done at Tannehill's Stationery Store.

Mrs. C. L. Barlow of Buckhannon, W. Va., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. W. Wright of East Main street.

Prof. and Mrs. H. G. May, of Greenwood, are in Pittsburg today.

Miss Lola Sherrick and Miss Frances Fried are home from Beaver College at Beaver, Pa., for their Christmas vacation.

Go to Huston's drug store for Reymer Green Seal Candies. None better. Huston's Main street drug store.

Samuel Harry, son of Contractor and Mrs. S. J. Harry, is ill at his home on the South Side.

Leroy Cohen, son of Mrs. Evelyn Cohen, is home from St. Vincent's Academy at Beatty Station.

Miss Anna Fox of Dawson, was in town this morning on a little shopping trip.

Joseph Sadorsky, the well known furniture dealer, is ill of appendicitis.

Mrs. G. C. Jarrett and little son, Percy, of Scottdale, were calling on friends here yesterday.

Miss Marie Cochran of Dawson, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. W. D. Gilchrist and two children of Ohiopyle, are visiting relatives here.

The Courier and iron premiums will not be delivered until after Christmas. We have the irons on hand, but cannot make the delivery now. Any subscriber wanting the irons at once can get same by calling at this office.

Mrs. Agnes Ritenour of McKeesport, was called here by the death of her father, James T. Lamble.

Emmett Hoffman was in Pittsburg yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hayes of Waynesburg, are the guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary E. Williams, of Highland avenue.

Miss Emma Danks went to Pittsburg yesterday afternoon to visit relatives over Christmas.

Bright crisp new bills exchanged for old currency at the Yough National Bank this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Colborn and daughter were the guests of friends in Uniontown yesterday.

Miss Lona Zufall, a teacher in the public schools, has gone to her home at Meyersdale, to spend the remainder of her Christmas holidays.

Mrs. D. C. Eason, Mrs. Luther Nemon and Mrs. J. C. Newborough of Dunbar, were among the out of town shoppers here yesterday.

Mrs. Margaret Laughrey of Dawson, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. L. Trader, yesterday.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c. t-t-s

NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters from the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Rev. W. D. Cunningham of Greenwood, is in Johnstown.

The following are the unclaimed letters advertised by Postmaster S. B. Slonesmith: Miss Margaret Anderson, W. J. Barnhart, William Coleman, Nicholas Hoge, Joseph Walters, Alexander Laloriske.

M. J. Rulli was in Pittsburg yesterday on business.

George Vosbeck of Youngstown, O., has returned to his home, after a several weeks' stay here.

Sample Cochran spent yesterday at Perryopolis.

Mrs. Holland Piersol and son, Curtis of Main street, were the guests of friends at Perryopolis yesterday.

Mrs. Florence McDonald and little daughter, Margaret, were the guests of friends in Uniontown Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy VanSickel and baby of Somerfield, are the guests of Mrs. VanSickel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Fornwalt, of Fourth street.

John Blaney of Smock and brother, Robert of Washington county, visited friends here yesterday.

Charles McLaughlin of Leisenring, was in Uniontown yesterday on a business mission.

Charles Duggan of Pittsburg, is in town on business.

Miss Verna Kerber has returned home from a several weeks' visit in McKeesport.

Ross Morrow is in Dunbar today on business.

Mrs. P. M. Buttermore, who has been ill at her home on Main street for the past week or more, is improving.

Library Notes.

Culture Club references are ready through the program of Feb. 15th.

New magazines are put on the tables of the Periodical Room daily. Following is a short list of interesting articles from a few recent magazines:

Charities: A Christmas present for the settlements; The school of outdoor life for tuberculosis children; The Roosevelt valedictory.

Craftsman: Nationalism in opera; The ships of all ages in F. D. Millet's mural decorations in the Baltimore Custom House; Industrial training and farming for truants; A potent factor in home making; Our need for industrial education; Dying silks.

Everybody's: Tonitown; Burnt money; The quest of the pearl; The highway of the air.

Literary Digest: Vital questions before the Douma; A monorail road for New York; King Edward's Christmas gift; Winter travel southward.

Popular Educator: A visit to some German school-rooms; The formation and beauty of ice; Problems of the playground.

Popular Science Quarterly; Popular legislation in the United States; Federal quarantine laws; The causes of poverty.

Success: The break-up of the parties; Fake art and the millionaire; When the wood is gone; Growing old a habit; The rat and his board-bill.

DIED.

Mrs. Anna Mann.

Mrs. Anna Mann, aged 34 years, wife of August Mann, prominent in affairs of the American Steel and Wire Company for the past nine years, died at the family residence, No. 24, Second street, Braddock, yesterday morning. Funeral tomorrow at noon from her late home. The interment will take place later in Homewood cemetery.

Mrs. Mann was born in Connellsville. Her father, Jacob Garnhardt, a leading resident of Connellsville. Twelve years ago she was married to Mr. Mann, then master roller at the Rankin plant of the American Steel and Wire Company, and shortly after that general manager of the Rankin plant. Mr. Mann accepted a position as division superintendent of one of the large Southern trunk lines, of which an uncle is president, leaving Rankin early in the spring for New Orleans, but the continued illness of his wife and her dangerous condition caused him to give up his Southern position and return to Braddock last June.

Mrs. Mann is survived by her husband, one son and one daughter. Her parents and several brothers and sisters also survive. She was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Braddock.

Funeral of James Lamble.

Impressive services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock over the remains of the late James T. Lamble of Ohiopyle. The services were held at the home of C. N. Shaw at Snydertown, a son-in-law of the deceased. Rev. E. B. Burgess, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, officiated, and many friends of the deceased attended the services. Interment in Hill Grove Cemetery.

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Costs a trifle more than ordinary enamel ware, but is many times cheaper in the long run, because of its wonderful durability and fuel saving. Enamel ware is iron coated with colored glass. Iron expands with heat. Colored glass does not, but chips off into the food with dangerous results to those who eat it.

That the use of enamel kitchen ware causes cancer is a view held by some eminent medical authorities. Dr. William H. Diefanbach of New York, in a paper entitled "Observations on the Etiology of Cancer," read before the Bureau of Sanitary Science and Public Health during the session of the International Homeopathic Congress at Atlantic City, discussed this subject.

According to a special dispatch to the Philadelphia North American, Dr. Diefanbach advanced the argument that chipping of the hard-coated dishes used in preparation of meals allowed minute but dangerous particles of foreign matter to become mixed with the food, these being taken into the stomach, where the cancerous growth is caused by abrasions which they make in the walls of the organ.

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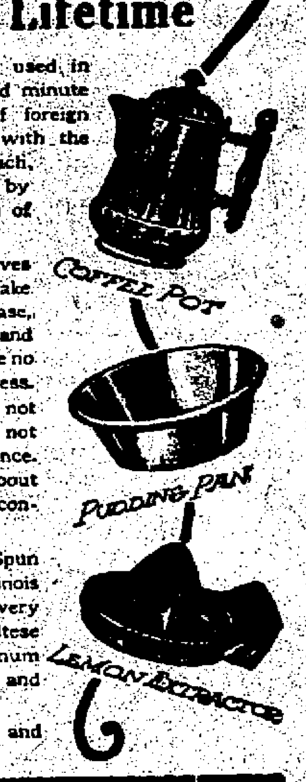

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A quick, safe, soothing, healing, antiseptic cure for Sore Throat, briefly describes TONSILINE. A small bottle of Tonsiline lasts longer than most any case of Sore Throat. TONSILINE cures Sore Mouth and Hoarseness and prevents Quinsy and Diphtheria. 25 and 50 cents at all druggists. THE TONSILINE CO., Canton, Ohio.

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The Christmas celebration complete, you must provide the Children with Cadies, Fruits and Nuts. In order to do this and at the very smallest possible cost, we are going to offer you the following until Christmas at very low prices:

Our Candies are all PURE and our Fruits and Nuts fresh and the BEST.

Royal Mixed Candy 3lbs., 25c	Richmond Mix Candy (regular price 25c) .... lb., 15c
Old-Time Mixed Candy .... lb., 10c	Imperial Mixed Candy (hand-made) .... lb., 20c
Caramels .... lb., 10c	Mixed Nuts (all new) .... 2 lbs., 25c
Chocolate Drops .... 2 lbs., 25c	English Walnuts .... lb., 15c
Finest Gum Drops .... 2 lbs., 25c	Paper Shelled Almonds .... lb., 20c
Pan Mixed Candy .... 2 lbs., 25c	Walnut Meats .... lb., 40c
Peanut Brittle .... lb., 10c	Shelled Almonds .... lb., 45c
Assorted Kisses .... 2 lbs., 25c	Pop Corn Balls .... 7 for 5c
Table or Bunch Raisins .... lb., 18c	
Premium Mixed Candy (regular price 20c .... 2 lbs., 25c	

We also have full line of Fancy Box Candy from 15c up.
Extra large Fancy Cranberries, per quart, ... 15c.
Fancy Florida Oranges, per dozen, ... 18, 20 and 25c.

Turkeys! Turkeys! Turkeys!

We will have the finest lot of Dressed Turkeys and Chickens in the City. Leave your orders with us. Price, per pound, ... **22c.**

All prices listed on Groceries last Friday and Saturday, with many other added. Good all this week.

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NEWS OF A DAY IN SCOTTDALE.

A Birthday Party Is Given in Honor of Theodore C. Kenney

AT THE NEW SCOTTDALE HOUSE

Defendants Committed to Jail in Bullskin Robberies.—Scottdale Exhibitors at Greensburg Poultry Show.—Christmas Business Is Good. Other News.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 22.—Last evening was the 63rd anniversary of Theodore C. Kenney's birth and that event was celebrated at the New Scottdale House, the hotel for the last couple of years owned and conducted by Mr. Kenney, by one of the most elaborate banquets ever given in Scottdale. The affair was a stag one, and there were over 125 of Mr. Kenney's friends present and enjoyed the surpassing menu that was the handiwork of the hotel chef. Mr. Kenney showed resplendent as a host and the evening was passed very enjoyably by all present. There was a list of toasts, these being mainly impromptu and under the directing hand of Frank Keller. There was music also and everything to make a successful dinner.

Exhibiting at Poultry Show.

At the Westmoreland County Poultry show which opened at Greensburg yesterday, there are several Scottdale exhibitors, among them Samuel O. Steiner, Alva Fazenbaker and W. Jones. J. W. Sprink expected to be an exhibitor but his coops had not arrived from the show at Monessen, where they were on exhibition last week, and from which he had heard nothing up to yesterday.

Prisoners Held for Court.

There was a large crowd of people of Bullskin township at Justice John C. Brownfield's office in East Scottdale yesterday afternoon at the hearing of the men alleged to have been committing many robberies in that township during the past several months. As a result of the hearing Alexander Wilson was held on information of Joseph Spauggy, who alleged that his store near Wooddale was robbed by the defendant. Arthur Booher, George Clark, Edward Michael and George Booher were also held and committed to jail at Uniontown.

Christmas Business Is Good.

A canvass of the merchants of town shows that the holiday business is much better than was anticipated by many. Merchants say that they have been agreeably surprised by the way trade opened on Saturday and yesterday, the buying being good and steady and keeping the store forces busy. There is a very healthy tone to business and in the main the merchants will come out satisfactorily in their holiday offerings.

Some Pretty Pictures.

J. Ray Schwartzendruber, a young local artist, has been exhibiting some very clever pictures this week and is gaining quite a reputation as an artist. The pictures are mostly scenic views and are executed in water color.

Home From Wilson.

Miss Mabel Frey, a student at Wilson College, Chambersburg, is one of the Scottdale girls who is home for the Christmas holidays, having arrived yesterday.

Home For Holidays.

B. F. Bungard, '12, a student at Otterbein University, is home on his Christmas vacation. Mr. Bungard is a son of Austin P. Bungard, deceased, and was formerly of Indian Head, Pa. He is working his way to the top and as he goes he takes with him the best wishes of many friends to his ultimate life work, that of the Christian ministry.

Have you tried our classified ads?

DUNBAR.

DUNBAR, Dec. 22.—At the close of the Sunday school session of the Methodist Protestant Church, the annual Christmas treat was distributed to the school.

Don't forget the children. Their appreciation of a Xmas present will repay you many fold. Something for all of them at Central Drug Store.

Charles Salenski, who resides in Dunbar No. 4, moved his family on Monday to the house of Wm. Preece near Connellsville street.

James Anderson of Ohiopyle was here on Friday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson of Bryson Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Jordan of Connellsville, were here on Sunday the guest of the latter's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson, of Bryson Hill.

Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Scott of Uniontown was here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Duncan of Railroad street.

William Preece was a business visitor to Uniontown Saturday.

Miss Carrie Neeb of Connellsville was here on Saturday evening calling on friends.

Mrs. C. L. Clare was the guest of friends in New Haven Monday.

Mrs. W. Davis was visiting friends in New Haven on Monday.

Mrs. Harry Williams was the guest of friends in Uniontown on Saturday.

Mrs. Herman Earhart of Mt. Braddock was here on Monday calling on friends.

Miss Gussie Fisher, who has been the guest of Mrs. Fannie Seaton for the past few weeks, left on Saturday for her home in Meyersdale.

Miss Sadie Keffer was the guest of friends in Uniontown on Monday.

Mrs. O. B. Bartle of New Haven was here on Monday the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Davis, at the Furnace.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wishart of Leisenring No. 3 was here on Sunday the guest of friends.

Attorney Milton Carroll of Uniontown was here on Monday attending to some business matters.

Isaac Blair of Vanderbilt was here Monday transacting business matters.

W. D. Blacka was visiting friends at Ohiopyle this week.

Mrs. Mary McCusker was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Dominick McCleary, in New Haven Monday.

Miss Bridget Cray of Uniontown was here on Monday the guest of friends.

Mrs. Fred Zarred of Mt. Braddock was here on Monday calling on friends.

Miss Sallie Tague, who has been the guest of relatives at Clairton for the past few days, arrived home on Monday.

John B. Beanor, tax collector of Dunbar township, was in Uniontown on Monday night attending the lecture of W. J. Bryan at the West End Theatre.

Mrs. Theodore Hockey of Scottdale is here the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Patterson, of Railroad street.

Mrs. J. J. Piper was shopping in Connellsville on Monday.

The following Dunbar folks visited Connellsville yesterday: Mrs. Ellen Bradley, Mrs. D. F. McKnight, Mrs. John Bryson, Mrs. D. T. Freher, Miss Laura Everett and Mrs. J. J. Piper.

A fancy box of candy "cuts the ice." Try it. Central Drug Store.

OHIOPYLE.

OHIOPYLE, Dec. 22.—Mrs. J. Eney was shopping and visiting relatives and friends in Connellsville and New Haven on Monday.

Mrs. Gottlieb Abbey was shopping and visiting friends in Connellsville on Monday.

Adolphus Shipley was attending to matters of business in Connellsville and Uniontown yesterday.

Mrs. Robert Linderman, daughter, Lucy, and son, Lloyd, were visiting relatives and friends in Connellsville on Monday.

George Morrison, who is visiting his home here, was attending to matters of business at Bear Run Monday.

James McKelvey of Somerset spent Monday here.

Miss Dorothy Cox, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bailey, returned to Confluence Monday morning.

W. B. Frye of near Farmington was a business caller in town Monday morning.

Miss Alice Jackson, who attends school at Uniontown, is spending a few days' vacation at her home here.

Lawrence Keslar, who has been visiting his home near Acme, returned here Monday evening to spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. T. W. Bailey, after spending the past week attending Institute at Uniontown, returned to her home at Whig Corner Friday evening.

Mrs. W. D. Gilchrist and sons, William and James, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Greensburg, Connellsville, Wilkinsburg and surrounding towns, returned to their home last evening.

Miss Myrtle Bailey, a school teacher of Grindstone, is spending the holidays at her home at Whig Corner.

Misses Edith and Lelia Colborn spent Saturday with relatives and friends in Connellsville.

B. B. Coursin of McKeesport is spending a few days here.

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, who has been visiting relatives in Connellsville, returned home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson of near Kentuck spent Monday shopping and visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. McNutt and children of Somerfield are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jackson.

DAWSON.

DAWSON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Fred Chalfant and son, Alexander, of Brownsville, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGill, North Dawson.

Henry Mossburg of Perryopolis, was a Dawson caller Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Murphy was a recent Pittsburg caller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bute attended the Bryan banquet at Uniontown Monday night.

Mrs. M. J. Gloss has returned home from a few days' visit at her old home at Confluence.

The Dawson bowling team will bowl the Dunbar team tonight on the Dunbar alleys.

Robert Cooper wire chief for the Bell Telephone company was a Dawson caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. McGill were shopping in Connellsville Saturday.

George Limbaugh was looking after business in the Yough metropolis Monday.

The recent rains have raised the river enough to carry away the old barrels and rubbish that had lodged on the riffles below the bridge.

Miss Teressa Brooks of McKeesport was the guest Sunday of her friend, Miss Besse Rist.

Miss Lou McGill was a recent Pittsburg shopper.

Joseph Cotton the dentist, was looking after business Saturday in the Smoky City.

Otto Frey of Pittsburg, was a Dawson caller Saturday.

Dawson Camp No. 10,760, M. W. of A., will hold a special meeting Wednesday evening, Dec. 22, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

Charles R. Rush of Uniontown, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Anna Rush, at the Rush House.

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, PA., Dec. 22.—Romsey Glover of Markleysburg, spent the day in town with Mrs. James Watson.

Miss Ruth Long of Ursina, who is attending school at Selinsgrove, passed through town Sunday on her way home to spend Christmas with her parents.

Dr. Myers, wife and child are visiting the former's parents at Markleysburg this week.

Misses Emma and Anna Grace Masters went to Meyersdale Sunday evening where they will visit friends this week.

Miss Julia Liston and Paul Liston, who are attending school at Selinsgrove, spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. E. S. Deibolt, and Monday left for Watsondale, where they will spend the holidays with their parents.

James Kreger was a business caller in town Monday.

Edwin Beals of Ursina, who teaches music in town also instructs the Confluence cornet band, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Cook of Meyersdale is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Reiber, this week.

James Scott of Ursina, was here on business yesterday.

Rev. M. Grossman, Lutheran minister of Addison, who spent the past week in Rockwood, passed through town Monday on his way home.

Miss Dorotha Kreger, who teaches in Lower Turkeyfoot township, spent Sunday with her parents, near Fort Hill.

Dr. U. S. Mountain made a professional call to Ursina Monday afternoon.

John Murray of Huston Station, was in town on business Monday.

Eddie Show of Johnson's Chapel, was a caller in town yesterday.

Miss Elmira Hinebaugh, who has been visiting her niece for the past few weeks, returned to her home in Oakland, Md., Monday.

S. Collins made a business trip to Uniontown Monday.

Miss Emma Thomas, who is attending school at the California State Normal, spent Sunday in town with Miss Therza Hawke and left Monday for her home in Markleysburg where she will spend the holidays with her parents.

Miss Nettie Weaver was calling on friends in West Confluence Monday.

Roy VanSickle, wife and child of Somerfield, passed through town yesterday on their way to Connellsville where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. VanSickle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fornwalt.

George Linhart spent Sunday with his family in Somerfield and returned to work on Carpenter camp Monday.

The bazaar and ten cent luncheon given by the Ladies' Aid of the Lutheran church Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Hiram Frantz on Oden street, was a general success, everything being sold and quite a nice sum of money taken in.

MT. PLEASANT.

MT. PLEASANT, Dec. 21.—The water famine in town has passed with the recent rains and the dams are nearly filled again. All the old customers, who were shut off from the main line on account of using water for manufacturing purposes are again connected, and the laundries, who were also cut off, have been connected also. The following water is greater than at any time this year.

Miss Anna and Howard Stoner of Findlay College, Ohio, returned home today to spend their Christmas vacation.

Spergin DeVaux and Orren Albert of Westerville, O., returned today to spend their Christmas vacation with their parents.

Miss Nita Husband, who attends the University for Women at Pittsburg, returned to her home at this place today to spend her holiday vacation.

Misses Galley, Seaton, Edwards, Robb, Bowers, Berthal, Yothers, Brownlee, Lohr, St. Clair, Cunningham, Eicher, McClain, Fitzgerald, Bailey and DeVaux, and Messrs. McPhail, Fansold, Grant and Professor Gordy, all of the local school corps of teachers, attended the 54th annual meeting of the Westmoreland County Teacher's Institute at Greensburg yesterday. Over 1,000 teachers had enrolled to attend the Institute this week. The program for the afternoon was: Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. B. Mase, 1.15 to 1.25; music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDowell, 1.25 to 1.40; instruction, "Interrogation Points," Dr. F. H. Green; instruction, "The Suggestions," Dr. O. T. Corson; intermission; music drill, Prof. R. J. McDowell, 2.45 to 3; instruction, "Robert Morris, the Pennsylvania Patriot," Dr. Edwin Earle Sparks, President of the State College. Governor Hanley of Indiana lectured in the evening, taking for his theme "Abraham Lincoln."

The Connellsville High School basketball team will play the local High School team in the new Armory at this place Christmas night. The Connellsville intermediate Y. M. C. A. team and the local High School Juniors of this place will play the preliminary.

William Hoffman of North Shupe street has on display at the poultry show conducted by the Westmoreland Poultry and Pet Stock Association at Greensburg, five fine full blooded black minorcas chickens.

Henry Witt held a shooting match just south of town Saturday where he raffled off several hundred chickens and turkeys.

Nick Brinker, a well known local engineer, has resumed his position at the throttle of No. 2338, after about a six weeks' lay off.

H. C. Murray of Pittsburg, receiver of the defunct Farmers and Merchants Bank, spent several hours at this place yesterday on business.

Dr. Pratt was at Bridgeport Monday on professional business.

Miss Grace Freeman of Eagle street spent Sunday with her father at Republic.

Mrs. Irene Collins was shopping at Greensburg yesterday afternoon.

O. P. Shupe was a business caller at Pittsburg yesterday.

Charles Bossart, a local brickworker, was a caller at Connellsville yesterday.

Charles Yohn will not be home for his Christmas vacation from Findlay College, as he is very ill at that institution.

Rev. DeVaux, an evangelistic minister of this place, was preaching at Calumet last week.

George Wagner of Greensburg was a business caller in town yesterday.

James Kingle of Donegal was a caller in town yesterday.

C. W. Walker of Greensburg was a business caller in town Monday.

B. Evans of Scottdale was a caller at this place yesterday.

Monroe Lohr was calling on friends at Scottdale Sunday.

Messrs. E. R. Kuhlman and H. F. Ferguson of Greensburg were business callers in town yesterday.

Miss Jennie Fith of Uniontown was calling at the home of Mrs. J. E. Freeman of Depot street Sunday.

Daniel Shotts of Tarrs was a caller in town yesterday.

Mrs. William Hartwick of Vanderbilt was calling at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Burry of Washington street yesterday.

Walter Bennett of Pittsburg was a business caller in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Plett of Youngwood spent yesterday with relatives at this place.

George Blair of Hecla was a business caller here yesterday.

The local churches will give their annual Christmas treat between the hours of 10 and 10.30 Friday morning at the respective churches.

A. N. West of New Haven was a business caller in town Monday.

Homer Boyer left this morning for Juniata, where he will spend a few days with relatives.

Edmond Cope is ill at his home on Main street with an attack of the grip.

Lawrence Suter was a caller in Scottdale yesterday.

All the stores in town will be closed from 11 till 4 P. M. and the barber shops will be closed all day, but will be open until 11 o'clock the night before.

A large number of local Democrats attended the Bryan lecture at Uniontown last evening.

Mrs. Frank Stolo was shopping at Greensburg yesterday.

Professor Wright of near town was a business caller at Greensburg yesterday.

Misses Jennie Arkwright and Jesse Parfitt were callers at Scottdale today.

Many Christmas trees are being brought to town by the wagon load today.

If You Are a Trifle Sensitive.

About the size of your shoes, it's some satisfaction to know that many people can wear shoes a size smaller by sprinkling Allen's Foot-Ease into them. Just the thing for Dancing Parties, Patent Leather Shoes and for breaking in New Shoes. When rubbers or overshoes become necessary and your shoes pinch, Allen's Foot-Ease gives instant relief. Sold Everywhere, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen E. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. Don't accept any substitute. 3

25% Reduction on Everything in this Big Store!

Here is the most important bit of news that the gift-buyers of Connellsville and vicinity have ever read—an actual cut of 25 per cent. from the price of each and every article in this store—making it possible to effect wonderful savings and purchase twice as much as you had intended in the six days which remain before Christmas!

The great success of our Pre-Holiday Sale has prompted us to clear out everything by Christmas Eve. We would rather take very small profits and have unusually big sales than to take big profits and have the usual sales. So for these last days we have clipped 25c from every dollar price and the same proportion for other prices. This is a glorious opportunity for gift-seekers to effect unprecedented savings on their gift purchases!

Sensational Christmas Bargains in

Jewelry,
Leather Goods,
Women's Neckwear,
Coats, Suits and Furs,
Waists and Skirts,
Gloves and Hosiery,
Knit Underwear,
Umbrellas,
Christmas Novelties,
and a score of other things suitable for Xmas Gifts!

It is impossible to mention our entire stocks, and we would have to if we were to quote everything included in this remarkable underpricing event. Just come to the store and take your choice of anything and everything and pay 25 per cent. less than its regular price! Now you can get that gift you thought was too expensive!

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

FELDSTEIN'S,

136 N. Pittsburg Street, Connellsville, Penna.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, PA., Dec. 21.—Perry Baker is improving slowly after a short illness. Mr. Baker fainted in the barber shop one day last week while being shaved.

Albert Shultz, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the vicinity of Somerset, returned home on Saturday last.

Albert Young and Ralph Lenhart, who are attending the Bedford School of Telegraphy, are home for a week's vacation over the holidays.

Charles Ridenour, who is attending the Pittsburg Dental College, is home on a two weeks' Christmas vacation.

H. H. Shoemaker, who is now employed with the B. & O. at Baltimore, Md., was home over Sunday.

Miss Edith Hembugh, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Johnstown for the past month, has returned to her home here for the Winter.

There are but a few days left for the sale of the Red Cross Christmas stamps, they can be had at the post-office.

VANDERBILT.

VANDERBILT, Dec. 22.—R. F. Robinson of McKeesport, was here yesterday on business.

W. H. Walters of Waltersburg spent Sunday with friends here.

J. W. Gween, the merchant, was in Pittsburg looking after business matters yesterday.

Mrs. Edward Swaney and daughter, Nellie, of New Haven, were calling on friends here yesterday.

H. H. Davis of Connellsville was a business visitor here Monday.

Don't froget the cantata at the Presbyterian Church this evening.

F. F. Hallane of McKeesport was looking after business matters here yesterday.

Robert Mulac, of New Haven, was in town yesterday.

Try our classified ads. 1c a word.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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By Buying Them a House On An Easy Payment Plan.

Here is a chance seldom offered a working man who must pay rent.

With the money you are paying for rent, you can almost purchase a home.

No cash payment required, my plan is the most liberal. I charge you only 3 per cent.

In case you could not meet the payments I will return you the interests.

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There is no cheaper or better plan existing unless you own the cash.

Several parties have already taken advantage of the above plan, therefore do not delay or put off. Such offers can not be had every day. Come and see about it.

F. A. KAIL,
Banker.

BELLEVERNON.

BELLEVERNON, Dec. 22.—Miss Anna Blower spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at Johnstown.

Miss Anna Cameron is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Theo. Baker, of Wilkinsburg.

Miss Lizzie Guller, who is attending school at Memphis, Tenn., is home for the holidays.

Miss Edith Nickel was hostess at a party on Monday evening, given for her young girl friends.

The congregation of the First Christian Church presented their pastor, Rev. J. W. Stewart, with a neatly filled purse on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Merle Maze and infant son of Pittsburg are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maze's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bower.

Otto Sisley was very badly injured in the coal mine on Saturday.

Mrs. George Woodhall of Charleroi fell and sprained her ankle last week. She is confined to her home.

North Bellevernon teachers are in attendance at the Institute at Greensburg this week.

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From Every Ounce of Fuel

When the mercury drops out of sight and you just *can't* keep the house warm, you'll find it wonderfully convenient to use a

PERFECTION Oil Heater

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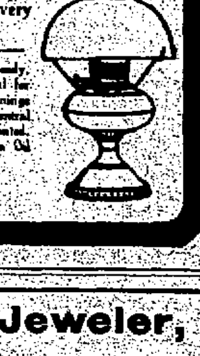

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THE DAILY COURIER has double the circulation of any other daily newspaper in Fayette county or the Connellsville coke region and it is better distributed for the general advertiser. It is the only paper that presents such week sworn statements of circulation.
THE WEEKLY COURIER is the recognized organ of the Connellsville coke trade. It has especial value as an industrial journal and an advertising medium for such interests.

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 22, 1908.

BRYAN'S STALE AND PROFITLESS SPEECH.

William Jennings Bryan selected The Enemy's Country in which to announce his candidacy in 1912 and again in 1916 and so until his "principles shall prevail," and quite incidentally until his ambition shall have been realized.

Colonel Bryan didn't put it quite so bluntly, but he said it quite as plainly. He said:

> I hope it may never be necessary for me to be a candidate for public office again. But no enemy of mine can ever get me to say I shall not be a candidate again if the occasion requires.

It was never "necessary" for Colonel Bryan to be the Democratic candidate for President; but, on the contrary, it would have been much better for the Democratic party had Colonel Bryan never been its candidate. He has led it into the Wilderness, where it is lost to home and hope, and where it must remain until it finds the trail which leads back to the Constitution and the Faith of the Fathers. The Moses which now leads it is still further entangling it in the thorny thickets of Radicalism.

Colonel Bryan's speech, aside from the announcement of his purpose to remain in the saddle, was a rambling review of the Denver platform which he still loves more than ever; a reaffirmation of all his discredited and disproven policies, which he still clings to; and a tirade of abuse and villification directed against the Republican leaders and the Republican policies, with incidental boquets to the Democratic Party and its Peerless Leader.

The subject matter of the speech is old and stale and profitless, not even excepting Colonel Bryan's announcement of his standing candidacy.

NOT A MANUFACTURER BUT A MORTGAGE-HOLDER.

Andrew Carnegie persists under oath in his declaration that the iron and steel business of the country needs no tariff protection, and we must conclude that the eccentric Laird of Skibo really believes what he says.

But he and many others who hoot at the proposition that the smaller independent operators cannot compete with foreign trade as can the trusts with their own supplies of raw materials and their peculiar advantages in the matter of costs have not probably given the question thorough consideration.

It is possible that the larger concerns with their decided advantages in the matter of manufacture may get along without Protection, but it is not so certain that the smaller producers will not have to go to the wall under Free Trade in iron and steel products.

This contingency is not inviting to the country.

It means thousands of men thrown out of employment; the profits of the manufacturers who are able to stand upright curtailed seriously enough to make them demand reductions in wages; and an over-supply of labor which will make such reduction an easy accomplishment. It means that the return of prosperity will be halting and uncertain. It spells continued and intensified want and suffering.

We are told that Andrew Carnegie was dapper and chipper in delivering his testimony, and that his information was interlarded with merry quips which drew laughter from his audience, but to the smaller manufacturer and the laborer there was nothing funny about his sophomeric deliverances.

The Carnegie millions were made under a Protective Tariff. Their owner now holds a mortgage on the United States Steel Corporation. He is no longer a manufacturer. He is now a bondholder. It is not his concern whether the Steel Corporation makes profits for its shareholders. He holds the company in the hollow of his hand. If it fails to pay him his interest, it lies within his power to gobble the whole business.

Andrew Carnegie thought a Protective Tariff was a good thing as long as he was piling up a colossal fortune in the manufacture of iron and steel. Now that it has grown so big that he cannot spend it even with the most determined effort, and when he sees his successors making fortunes which promise to grow almost as great as his own, the old spirit which could never brook rivalry prompts him to advocate the abolition of the Protective Tariff and the reduction of iron and steel profits to a minimum, to the end that there shall be no other gods before him.

In this phase of the question, we assume that the Common People are not interested, but they are vitally interested in the other condition referred to, namely, the possibility of diverting a portion of our iron and steel business to foreign countries causing the closing of independent mills and furnaces and coke ovens with the consequent idleness of a large portion of our labor. We are interested in this condition. We don't want to go bad.

Andrew Carnegie's theories put into practice would not affect his condition a whit, but they would mean distress to thousands of others, and their effect would be felt directly and immediately in the Connellsville coke region.

Andrew Carnegie's jokes are not funny to Fayette county people.

THE SENATORIAL SITUATION.

The fact that Senator Knox will not doff his toga until March 4th next, has not deterred those who seek to don it from making active efforts to fortify their candidacies, and it looks as if Pennsylvania would have a merry political war on hand.

The reelection of Senator Penrose is conceded. He has his campaign won. He will have no serious opposition, not even from an over-ambitious State Treasurer.

Senator Penrose will probably have something to say about the selection of Senator Knox's successor, though it has been suggested that Senator Knox may have something to say on this point himself. If he does, his wishes will be respected no doubt, even by Senator Penrose.

It has been intimated by no less a personage than Henry Clay Frick that Senator Knox has a choice. The intimation is authoritative. Mr. Frick stands very close to Senator Knox and it is suspected had much to do with his political advancement. A natural inference would be that Mr. Frick might have the place, but he disposes of this assumption in his usual emphatic and unanswerable manner.

It is not given to us to know who Senator Knox's choice is, but it is not unlikely that it is a Fayette county man. Fayette county has Senatorial material, and it is possible that she will have an avowed Senatorial candidate who will measure up to the situation.

Allegheny county with its multitude of ambitions is a house divided against itself, and the very fact may eliminate that county from the contest.

In the meantime, there is plenty of time to consider the matter.

In the revision of the Tariff the interests of American labor should have first consideration. The interests of American manufacture should come next. Last and least should be the interest of Swollen Fortunes.

Bryan is not discouraged in defeat. The Democratic leaders would be better satisfied if he was.

The first gun has been fired in the Connellsville Mayoralty campaign.

Bryan's political deliverance in Fayette county doesn't seem to have echoed beyond our historic hills. The Pittsburg morning papers hardly noticed it. Is it possible that the Peerless Orator has become a member of the Also Spokes?

The Superior Court rules in favor of the Dessemination of Information.

"The prosperity of the past twelve years was not Republican prosperity," says Bryan. It certainly wasn't Democratic prosperity.

Colonel Bryan carried Fayette county yesterday.

The revision of the tariff is not a rich man's joke. It is a deadly earnest matter to every workingman in the mine, the furnace and the mill.

Bryan says the Republican party purchased its victory. Everybody knows there wasn't scarcely enough money in the last campaign to buy postage stamps. This particular charge has moss on it.

New Haven is in hard luck. It has burglars and Blue Law pirates.

Fishing out of season has long been regarded as a prerogative of the township residents along the trout streams. The arrest, conviction and fine of two Saltlick citizens for this offense will be a rude awakening.

Bryan would not trade places with Roosevelt or Taft, but he tried awfully hard to do so on several occasions.

With the advent of through cars the West Penn has inaugurated through fares.

Bryan announces that he is still with the Toiling Masses. He probably thinks he is, but he is as a matter of fact, he has usually been against them.

The Point Marion bridge has already taken its toll of human life.

The man or the woman who would play upon the distress of a bereft husband and family has a poor idea of humor, almost as poor as that the Great American Tariff Jester.

Myersdale is struggling with a diphtheria epidemic. The dangers of the late drouth are not yet over.

Mud Island's moisture was a godsend to Uniontown and other Southern Fayette county communities this summer and fall.

Bryan says he does not attempt to think for the People, but with them. Not to any dangerous extent.

BRYAN WILL FIGHT TO RETAIN GRIP ON PARTY

(Continued from First Page.)

flection of Col. James Madison Guffey from the Bryan column can only be conjectured.

The curse of corporate influence which dominates the land through the Republican party came in for considerable discussion after which the speaker told how glad he was to be defeated because he didn't want to purchase victory as the Republicans did. He attributed his defeat to influences no Republican could defend without blushing. He seemed to think the orders Senior Vice President W. C. Brown of the New York Central railroad sent out after the election brought about his downfall in the doubtful States and blamed Speaker Cannon's campaign speech in a certain Missouri county for swinging that State into the Republican column.

Bryan declared he would not trade places with President Roosevelt, who had dragged his high office down to become a football in American politics, nor would he trade places with Mr. Taft and be tied to those interests which gave him his election.

If the heart of the Democratic party was not sound, he asked what chance would it have had against the influences within it? Mr. Bryan then began a discussion of issues. The Silver issue was a righteous one, and when the people voted it down, God brought relief through the medium of unparalleled discoveries of gold, he explained. He discussed imperialism, but offered no relief. He declared the Filipinos would not make desirable citizens and that we do not want them as subjects. He had no suggestions to make as to the disposition of the islands. He scoffed at the Japanese war scare, although this has been nourished only in the breast of Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, a Democrat, and is not heeded by the Republican party. He opposed a larger army and navy. Referring to our possession of the Philippines he declared the Declaration of Independence had been "swapped" for foreign trade, and that this country, instead of leading the world as a free nation, trails at the tail end of European countries in maintaining a system of colonial government.

Mr. Bryan does not believe, he says, that the people rule. He thinks they will some time, and through the medium of Democracy. He declared the Democrats favor the election of Senators by popular vote.

Depositors, he urged, should have more security, and this was offered by Democracy in the shape of its Bank Guarantee plan. He then asked how long would it before the Republicans rise against the domination of the financiers and moneyed interests. He accused the bankers of avarice, and at this point certain Uniontown Democrats gave evidence of becoming restless, especially those who are in the magnate class of coal and coke operations.

Mr. Bryan declared the Democratic party to be more influential in defeat than the Republicans in victory, and voiced the opinion that the minority party could eventually coerce the majority into granting all of its demands.

The Republicans have done more to make Socialists than all the Socialists and their papers in this country, Bryan asserted, saying further that he always fought Socialism.

Bryan urged keener competition and declared trusts unnecessary. He would encourage competition, not stifle it. If the trusts continue to grow, he predicted, before many years two or three men will control all the industries of the country. Competition is necessary for commerce, he thought. Bryan closed his address, declaring that while he lives he will strive to carry out the principles of Democracy laid down by Jefferson.

There was a concerted rush for the door when Bryan concluded, but Toastmaster Umbel managed to hold most of them until another solo was sung and Woods Carr told them good night. Carr wasn't so sure Bryan would lead the party to victory, but thought he had already paved the way to ultimate achievement of Democratic success.

The dinner was well served, but the preliminary arrangements could hardly have been worse. No one was admitted to the hall until Mr. Bryan and his party had been seated. Although the lecture was ended at 9.45, it was 11 o'clock before the first course was served. Many stood for hours before the rink waiting for admission, among them a score or more of ladies. The menu was plentiful and tasty.

Mr. Bryan and his party were entertained at the County Club last evening, about 80 being present. George Whyel was the host. Mr. Bryan addressed large crowds at Perryopolis during the afternoon and in the West End Theatre, Uniontown, at night. He delivered his best lecture, "The Prince of Peace," on each occasion.

Of the distinguished guests, Wade Hampton Echard and John Lester Keffer, members of the reception committee, outshone all others. The immaculate and spacious expanse of the former's "biled" shirt rivalled the smile which spread from ear to ear across the latter's countenance. After the speech at the dinner Keffer opened the campaign for Bryan in 1912 and declared if the Commoner loses then, he will be brought forth in 1916.

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WANTED.—FURNISHED ROOM FOR man and wife; no cooking. Address, X, care Courier. 21dec2td

WANTED. — GENERAL REPAIR work. Skirts altered and pressed. TRI-STATE 72, Dunbar, Pa. dec10eodtf

WANTED.—A WIFE IS PROUD OF a well-dressed husband. We make clothes to be proud of. DAVE COHEN, Tailor. 8

For Rent.

FOR RENT.—FURNISHED ROOMS for light housekeeping at 208 CEDAR AVENUE. 17dec6td

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FOR SALE.—AT A BARGAIN, SECondhand rebuilt Smith Premier Typewriters. Can be seen at this office.

FOR SALE.—RECEIVED AT THE Youghiogheny Lumber Yard one car of building blocks, plain and rock face; also a car of sewer pipe from three inch to 24 inch, with suitable fittings. Tri-State 'Phone 228. J. R. BALSLEY, Manager. 22dec-2td.

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LOST.—SUNDAY EVENING, NEAR Washington avenue and Pittsburg street, brown squirrel neckpiece. Reward if returned to MARIE LANDIS, South Windsor Building. 21dec1td*

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Plumbing, tinning, slating, hot water, steam and hot air heating. Repair work of all kinds promptly attended to. Estimates cheerfully furnished on all contracts. Office 222 S. Pittsburg Street. eodtf

FOR RENT.

10-Room modern house, large lawn, corner Main and Murphy. Late home of Mary Stillwagon. Car stops in front of house. $35.00.

8-room modern house, cor Aetna and Patterson avenue; large lot; only $22.00.

6-room house, 10th street, next to Third Ward school building; gas and water; $15.00.

4-room house; gas and water; Baldwin avenue; $10.00 a month.

Two-family house, four rooms on side; 511 Francis avenue; only $7.50 a side.

3-room house on Cummings avenue, $7.00.

4-room house, South Connellsville, $6.00.

6-room house, South Connellsville, $8.00.

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A Nettleton Shoe with its Style, Comfort and Service will plase any man—costs you $5.00 and $5.50. Other nice makes at $3.00 $3.50 and $4.00. Dorothy Dodd and Armstrong Shoes are the ones best liked by ladies—plenty of pretty styles to select from at

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Pretty Evening Slippers as well as the Comfortable House kinds. Buy useful presents—BUY EARLY.

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The Story of Our Tailoring Is Told in Few Words:

We make to order and measure only; to fit and to satisfy. We carry no ready-made.

Our goods come straight from the mills, in mill lots, at mill prices.

We have the biggest tailor stores in Connellsville, Greensburg and Uniontown.

We make as quickly as you need and for about the prices you would pay for ready-made.

We make in much less time than any other good tailor, and for about half his prices. And we guarantee.

All clothes made by us pressed and kept in repair free of charge for one year.

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147 W. Main St., Seisson Block.
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DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburg Street, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Pennsylvania — Partly cloudy on Tuesday and Wednesday.

THIS STORE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS.

LATE SUGGESTIONS

Not much of an advertisement now for we doubt if many of you have time to read an advertisement no matter how attractive it may be. Should you take time to read this one, we have one thought to suggest. Don't you think that in this Christmas rush when you haven't hardly time to think of quality, that a store like this that you can depend upon is the store where you want to do most of your shopping? Think this over. You want to give presents that will be appreciated. Now is the time to test a store.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
You'll find ours displayed on tables in the cloak room. You can't make a mistake in buying handkerchiefs. Always acceptable. From 5 cents up to $2.00 each.

GLOVES.
Glove selling time now. Guess at the age if you must, we'll exchange for the right size afterwards. Centemeri kid gloves are here in all sizes and all good shades, priced at $2.00 and the name Centemeri means kid glove perfection.

UNDERWEAR AND HOSIERY.
Some one perhaps that good warm underwear or stockings would be a very acceptable gift. Munsing underwear here at prices from 50 cents a garment up to $2.50. For women and children it is the very best medium priced underwear this store knows about.

FURS.
Scarfs and muffs. The kind of furs that you want to buy. Starting around $10.00 and from that on up. Furs that this store guarantees in every way that furs can be guaranteed.

UMBRELLAS FOR CHILDREN.
Want to make some child happy as happy can be? Give it an umbrella that they can call their own. $1.00 and $2.00 are the prices and its a good way to spend this amount if you want to give all the happiness possible for your money.

UMBRELLAS FOR GROWN FOLKS.
Starting at $3.00 and from that on up to $8, $9, and $10.00. We've the best collection of Christmas umbrellas this store ever had to show. Umbrellas that you'll be proud to give.

BELT BUCKLES AND BELT PINS.
If you've time take a look at the collection of 50 cent buckles and pins in the third case from the door. Some of these are worth double the price and you couldn't think of a prettier gift.

BISSEL CARPET SWEEPERS
Cost $2.50 each and make a present that means a saving of lots of hard work to some one. There is no other sweeper quite as good as the Bissel.

SIBRE RUGS.
See that display we have on the ledges. These were bought to come in with the spring mattings but they are here now and the price is $1.50 each. Size 36 by 72 inches. Note the colorings.

CHILDREN'S COATS.
Assortment as complete as we can have it and will be so up until Christmas. Could you think of a more sensible gift or one that a child would appreciate more.

KEISER NECKWEAR.
That name means handmade. Dainty novelties at from 50 cents up. A present that would be sure to be appreciated.

THE DELINEATOR.
A woman's magazine that every woman wants. Costs a dollar a year and you couldn't invest a dollar in any other way and give as much pleasure. Let us have the dollar and the name to whom you want it sent and we'll attend to it for you.

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W. N. Leche

New Waists for Ladies

Just received a beautiful new line of Ladies' net waists with lace yoke, tucked sleeve. All the very latest. Ask to see them. $3.50, $3.90, $4.50, $4.98, $5.50, $5.75 AND $6.50.

A nice waist would make mother, wife or sister a beautiful Christmas gift.

Black Silk Petticoats

You have paid $5.00 for skirts no better. Our price is but $3.90.

Another very special skirt is our $4.50 skirt which has more work on it. Others up to $8.50.

Tailored Black Silk Dress Skirts, $12.50, $13.50 and $15.50.

Handkerchiefs! Handkerchiefs!

We are surely headquarters for Ladies', Men's and Children's Handkerchiefs. We have them in fancy boxes or we break the boxes and sell you what you want. 5c to 25c.

106 W. MAIN STREET, — CONNELLSVILLE.

Slippers for Xmas Gifts.

We Make Exchanges After Xmas.

This is the season of the year when we spread ourselves on our slipper stock.

Sensible Xmas Gifts.

We make ample preparations to Slipper everybody. Our showing at this writing is unusually attractive. Christmas will soon be with us. It will be a capital idea to make selections now while the picking still is good.

For Men	For Women
We have Opera, Everett, Romeo, Felt, Bath, Tourist and all sorts of good styles.	We've Romeos, Felt, Juliets in Red, Brown, Green and Black colors. Evening slippers in all styles
$1.00 to $2.00	$1.00 to $3.00

For the Children and Little Tottlers we have Slippers in many styles, worth from 50c to $1.00.

Don't think there's a wanted member missing from our whole Slipper family.

Your Christmas money spent here will not be wasted.

C. W. DOWNS & CO.,
Connellsville's Leading High Grade Shoe Store.

MONEY IS SCARCE!

You know it, we know it. That as little money as possible may go along ways, we are going to do our part to make this Christmas the happiest one of your life by giving you unheard of prices on Candies, Nuts, Fruits and Groceries. No cheap trashy stuff to palm off, nor short weights at this store. Everything fresh and clean.

3 lbs. Pure Mix Candy	25c	Hazelnuts, lb.	15c
2 lbs. Chocolate Drops	25c	Choice Seeded Raisins lb.	10c
Finest Gum Drops, lb.	10c	Choice Currants, lb.	10c
Table Raisins, fancy lb.	15c	Citron, Lemon, Orange Peel, lb.	20c
2½ lbs. Craamels	25c	6 cans Peerless Milk	25c
2 lbs. Hand Made Toys	25c	Shaker Dried Sweet Corn, lb.	10c
Choicest Cranberries, qt.	15c	N. O. Molasses, qut.	10c
Large Juicy Grape Fruit four for	25c	3 boxes Breakfast Food	25c
Paper Shell Almonds, lb.	18c	3 cans Standard Tomatoes	25c
English Walnuts, lb. 15c to	18c		
Cream Nuts, lb.	16c		

"Dick" Paine's Fancy Florida Oranges, sweet and juicy, per dozen, 20 to 35c

Best Granulated Sugar, 25 pounds, for $1.30

YOURS FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

CAMPBELL & CO.
125 South Pittsburg St., (Patterson's Old Stand.)

SELECT CHRISTMAS GIFTS

For Men and Women
Boys and Girls.

The largest variety of Watches, Jewelery, Diamonds, Roger's Silverware, Toilet Goods and Imported Fancy Chinaware.

A Wonderland of Toys,

Magic Lanterns, Steam Engines and thousands of other articles too numerous to mention.

The Only Store in the City that Carries the Line that Pleases the Public in Quality and Low Prices.

Special Prices for Churches and Societies

WM. HERZBERG,
140 W. Main St., Opposite W. Penn Waiting Room.

TOWNS HELPED BY WATER COMPANIES.

Tided Many Places Over the Drouth by Supply.

MILLIONS OF GALLONS USED.

Uniontown and Mt. Pleasant Would Have Felt the Drouth Severely Had It Not Been For This Source of Supply.

What the private water lines meant during the drouth to many towns and localities in the Connellsville region is strikingly illustrated by the figures of the water purchased by the borough of Uniontown from the Trotter Water Company since August 13 of the current year. Up to December 1 the total amount was 128,995,000 gallons. Uniontown is still receiving part of her water from the same source.

In addition to Uniontown the town of Mt. Pleasant has been supplied by the Mt. Pleasant Water Company fully, even at the expense of idle coke plants as the water company officials refused the pleadings of coke companies for water as long as there was any danger that Mt. Pleasant might run short.

The Trotter Company also furnished water to Dunbar, Fairchance, New Salem and other points. Most of them are still dependent on this supply.

The detailed figures for Uniontown follow:

Aug. 13 to Sept. 1	6,138,000 gals.
September	44,558,000 gals.
October	49,299,000 gals.
November	29,000,000 gals.
Total	128,995,000 gals.

The months of September and October were the worst for Uniontown as its own water supply reached its lowest ebb during that period of drouth, the severest of the summer. In addition to this the same company has been supplying many independent coke, coke plants which would have had to shut down otherwise.

The Trotter Company has a total of 130 miles of pipe line, extending from the Youghiogheny river to within about one mile of Smithfield, with numerous branches and spurs.

RAILROAD FIREMAN WILL SHARE ESTATE.

Los Angeles Fortune Goes Begging, But Heirs Are Found in Western Pennsylvania.

After having gone begging for over nine months, a $20,000 estate left by Miss Emma C. Elrick, a waitress in the San Luis Obispo Hotel, Los Angeles, Cal., will be claimed by Western Pennsylvania relatives.

For months after the death of Miss Elrick in Los Angeles, the authorities have been searching the country for her relatives to claim her estate, part of which is in land holdings. It was learned that at one time Miss Elrick had mentioned that her father and mother lived in Pennsylvania. Late last evening information was received here that the father and mother of the girl had died during the summer in Clairton. Neither knew of the death of their daughter almost three months previous.

There are six brothers and sisters of Miss Elrick living in Pennsylvania, as follows: Mrs. Frank Chain, Mrs. Mary Deal, Clairton; Mrs. Hannah Smiley in Meyersdale; George, near Glencoe, Somerset county, and Obadiah, Hazelwood. The last named brother is employed by the Monongahela Connecting Railroad at Hazelwood as fireman on a shifting engine. Obadiah Elrick is about 30 years of age and has a wife and family. He will lay claim to the estate.

The estate of Miss Emma S. Elrick comprises Los Angeles real estate, mining stocks and several notes, hoarded by the hard-working woman during the latter years of her life.

Christmas Presents

For everyone. Presents for old and young, married or single, boys or girls, babies or growly folks. Our line of Toys is complete and up-to-date. Every new toy on the market can be found here. Electric Toys, Railway Trains, Mechanical Toys, Wooden Toys, Dishes, Blackboards, Iron Toys, Dolls and everything known in the toy line may be found here at prices lower than ever before.

DOLLS.

Beautiful Dressed Dolls, 18 inches high, dressed in satin with lace trimmings, finely trimmed hats. Regular $1.50 values for 99c

French Jointed Dolls, all sizes, the finest dolls made, from $4.00 down to 25c

Kid Body Dolls in a great assortment, from $3.00 down to 25c

15 styles of Sleds in all the popular makes for boys and girls, 99c down to 49c

Doll Carts.

We have 10 willow Go-Carts for dolls, folders and automatic front and back, rubber tires, beautiful lace parasols, which we will close out at 20 per cent reduction. The prices were $2.75 to $5.00. You can have your choice at one-fifth off.

A great line of Doll Carts for $1.49, 75c and down to 49c

Fine China

We have an enormous stock of fine China, imported direct from France, Austria and Germany. All are beautifully decorated and we are selling them at one-half the prices others are asking.

Fine China Cups and Saucers with pretty floral decorations, set of six cups and six saucers 60c

Fine China Cups and Saucers in the neat Haviland decorations, the set 75c

Fine transparent China Plates, with pretty decorations, each 10c

Large China Dinner Plates, regular 25c grade, each 15c

Large China Salad Dishes, each 25c

10 styles elaborately decorated Salad Dishes, regular $3 patterns, each 75c

Hand-painted China Salad Dishes, the very finest French ware, each 75c to $2.25

Hand-painted Berry or Salad Sets, consisting of one large and six small dishes to match, set $4.00 to $2.49

Berry or Salad Sets, with very pretty decorations, set 75c

Fine China Cream or Sugar Bowl, each 10c

Fine China Desserts, each 5c

Haviland China Dinner Sets, the standard of perfection in China, 100-piece sets at $28.75 to $60.00

SCHMITZ'
New York Racket Store.

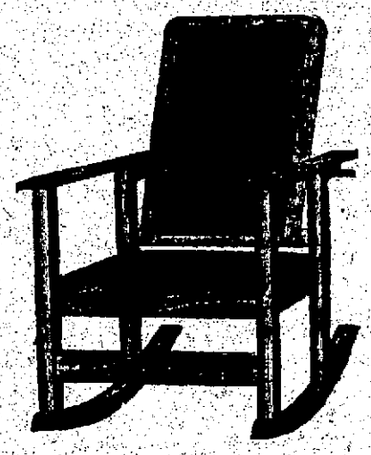
3 SPECIALS ON SALE TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

These are not toys but are large enough for children seven and eight years of age. These specials are worth fully twice the value that we ask for them, but our enormous purchase enables us to sell them at one-half the regular value.

CHILD'S MORRIS CHAIR

Here is an exceptionally appropriate Xmas Gift for a child. This Morris Chair has all the good features of those used by the big people. Sure to please any youngster. Has adjustable back and it is fitted with pretty and durable Velour cushions. Aaron's price to close out small lot remaining is only

95c



Morris Rocker.

This Morris Rocker is made of oak, wood seat; may be placed in several positions; finished in both Golden and Weathered Oak. Sale price

80c

Morris Chair.

This Morris Chair is made of solid oak, wood seat; reclining back; may be placed in several positions; finished in both Golden and Weathered Oak. Sale price

65c

AARON'S

Rheumatism Cannot Be Cured Unless Uric-O Is Used.

Sudden Deaths, Heart Failure and Paralysis Are Caused By Poisonous Uric and Rheumatic Acids.

The Rheumatic person is skeptical regarding the claims of almost any remedy advertised as a cure for Rheumatism and one can scarcely blame him for being so. All the plasters and liniments combined never actually cured a case of Rheumatism. They may relieve it in one quarter but it is sure to break out somewhere else. The only true way to cure Rheumatism is to drive it from the system, for as long as the Uric and Rheumatic Acid remains in the blood one is never entirely free from the trouble. Uric-O seeks out the Rheumatic poison in the blood, muscles and kidneys, renders it inert and harmless and drives it out of the system. It is composed of perfect antidotes for the rheumatic acid poison in the system, and the secret of its wonderful success lies in the fact that it is designed to cure Rheumatism only.

Uric-O is sold by druggists at 75c and $1.00 the bottle. A liberal sample may be procured by writing to the Smith Drug Co., 236 Smith Bldg., Syracuse, N. Y.

Uric-O is sold and recommended by Graham & Co.

Good School Record.

Margaret Baisley, aged 16, of East Connellsville, has made an excellent record of attendance at school in the past six years. During that time she has not been tardy once and has never missed a day. She attends the Johnson school in Bullskin township.

Try Our Classified Ads.

They only cost one cent a word and always bring results.

WRECK ANNIVERSARY.

Five Years Since the Fateful Disaster of the Duquesne Limited.

Wednesday is the fifth anniversary of the Duquesne wreck, which occurred at Laurel Run, December 23, 1903, and in which many Connellsville people lost their lives. The wreck occurred as the famous Duquesne flyer was rounding the curve at that place and is supposed to have been due to the falling of a heavy piece of timber from a freight train. The total number of killed in the wreck was 65. Practically all those killed were riding in the smoker which telescoped the engine and the steam from it scalded and parched their throats.

AUTOS TAKE HEAVY TOLL

20 Killed, 372 Injured in Chicago in Eleven Months.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—In the first eleven months of this year 20 persons were killed in automobile accidents in Chicago, as compared to 15 for the same months last year, while 327 persons were injured, but not fatally, as compared to 291 for the same months last year. The increase of fatal accidents is 33 per cent and the increase of accidents not fatal 41 per cent.

These figures were made known by the city statistician as a result of an effort to be made by the city council to curb the alarming increase of automobile accidents due largely, it is said, to reckless driving and speeding.

Read our advertisements carefully.

WON FINE PRIZE.

Rev. William J. Lowstutter May Go to erman University Free.

Rev. William J. Lowstutter was in town yesterday on his return from the Boston University, Boston, Mass. While in attendance at the University Rev. Lowstutter won the prize which entitles him to attend any German University without cost. There was much competition for the scholarship.

Rev. Lowstutter was born and reared in Brownsville, and was graduated from the California State Normal. He married Miss Lydia Moore of Vanderbilt, a sister of Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran.

Try our classified advertisements.

DR. BARNES, Specialist. Physician treating all general diseases of both sexes. Private Diseases and Weakness of Men and Catarrh a Specialty. Consultation FREE. In Connellsville TUESDAY and FRIDAY at Wyman Hotel. Home office, 2nd National Bank, Uniontown, Pa.

B. F. Rudolph & Sons,
PLUMBING AND TINNING.
Work of all kind done on shortest notice.
Office, 302 Washington Avenue.
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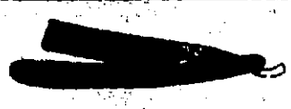
HOLIDAY GOODS THAT GRATIFY.

A warm glow of satisfaction from a certainty of money well spent always follows a purchase from our exceptional stock of Christmas gifts.

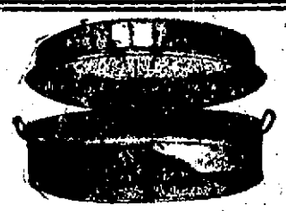


CUTLERY

is our specialty. We have everything that cuts from safety razors to axes.

SAFETY RAZORS..... $1.00 to $5.00
RAZORS ..... $1.00 to $3.00

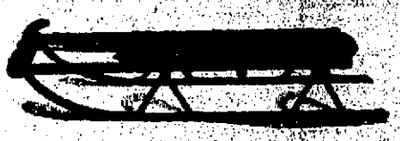
No nicer gift for a gentleman.



ROASTERS

in all styles—Lisk, Savory, Aluminum and sheet iron,
35c to $4.00

Insure yourself against a poorly cooked Christmas turkey.



SLEDS

that guide without the feet touching the ground. Your boy or girl will appreciate a lightning guider from our stock.

30c to $4.00

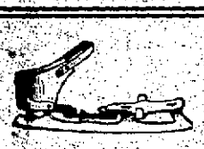
Aluminum Ware

is getting better known every year. It's sanitary and economical features give it deserved popularity. An ideal gift for the housewife.

POCKET KNIVES

are something that we have an unusual selection of and at prices within the reach of all. Stag and pearl handles, for ladies and gentlemen.

10c to $4.50



SKATES

always form an important item in Santa's pack. We have ice skates for men and women and sled skates for the children.

50c to $1.00
Roller Skates 50c to $3.50.

We are always glad to show you what we have, to answer your questions and to assist you in any way in your Christmas shopping.

STOP IN WHETHER YOU BUY OR NOT.

Schell Hardware Co., 116 West Main St., Connellsville, Pa

BOTH PHONES GET BUSY NOW.

COUNCILMEN UNDER CHARGES.

Seven Pittsburg City Fathers and Two Bankers Arrested.

RELEASED UNDER HEAVY BAIL.

Accusations Formulated by Voters' Civic League Allege Conspiracy, Corrupt Solicitation and Bribery—Information Against Bankers.

Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—Seven councilmen and two bankers of this city were arrested last night on charges of conspiracy, corrupt solicitation and bribery made by the Voters' Civic league, headed by A. Leo Weil, the well-known lawyer and reformer.

The councilmen arrested are: Common council, William Brand, president; Joseph C. Wasson, chairman of the finance committee; W. H. Mulaney, Captain John F. Klein, Hugh Ferguson, Jacob Soffel, Jr., and Select Councilman T. O. Atkinson. All are candidates for reelection under the new ward division of the city. The bankers arrested are W. A. Ramsey, president, and August A. Vilsack, cashier of the German National bank.

Councilmen Mulaney, Ferguson, Soffel and Atkinson gave $15,000 bail each, while Councilmen Brand, Wasson and Klein, against whom there were two charges, gave $30,000 bail each. Vilsack entered bail for $14,000 and Ramsey, in the custody of officers, is looking for the same amount of bail.

The information against the councilmen charges them with conspiracy to control legislation in councils, with corrupt solicitation in connection with a number of ordinances and resolutions, mentioning the depositories' ordinances among them, but without mention of any specific amounts of money.

The charge against Vilsack, of which that against Ramsey is an identical copy, except with the change of the name, specifies that they paid to John F. Klein $17,500 to aid in the passage of the measure which designated the German National bank and five others as city depositories.

As the Voters' league is back of the entire councilmanic prosecution Attorney A. Leo Weil, the president of the organization prepared the following, saying he would not answer any questions concerning the matter, nor add anything to the formal statement:

"The Voters' league for many months has been collecting evidence of bribery in councils. The evidence secured was submitted to D. T. Watson and to Messrs. Patterson, Sterrett & Acheson. After consultation with Willis F. McCook, W. K. Shirns and myself, lawyers on the executive committee of the league, and after going over the proofs all of the lawyers agreed that informations should be made.

"This is the beginning. The end is not yet."

COMMENT BY GARY

Says Figures He Gave at Tariff Hearing Are Correct.

New York, Dec. 22.—E. H. Gary, president of the board of directors of the Steel corporation, after reading the testimony of Andrew Carnegie before the ways and means committee said that while his figures had been contradicted by Mr. Carnegie they were nevertheless the accurate computation of the cost of steel production.

"The figures that I gave the ways and means committee with reference to the production of steel are absolutely accurate," said Judge Gary. "It is too serious a matter to give information on so important a topic that may be wrong or misleading. When I told the committee what it cost per ton to produce steel I told them what I know to be the truth, and truth based upon careful investigation, as well as complete knowledge and experience in connection with the steel business.

"I realize the full importance of the hearing. I certainly did not testify falsely. I had a full comprehension of what was being sought by congress. I gave the information I did according as I knew and believed it to be true."

As to Mr. Carnegie's remark about the monkey in Aesop's fable, which wanted the cat to rake the chestnuts out of the fire, Judge Gary said:

"I don't want to criticize Mr. Carnegie. He is a fine man and able. I really don't think he meant what he said in his reference to me. Just his way of saying something in a certain mood. I will not enter into any discussion of what he said. I can only repeat that my figures are accurate. I shall say nothing more than this."

SEVEN MILLIONS GONE

Big Theft Unearthed in Lisbon, Capital of Portugal.

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 22.—The newly elected municipal council has unearthed a big scandal in the city's accounts. Over $7,000,000 has disappeared.

The former monarchical councillors admit the irregularities, but lay the blame upon the government, which, they say, illegally took the city's money.

Thaw Cannot Go to Pittsburg.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22. — Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, cannot be taken to Pittsburg to testify in bankruptcy proceedings, according to a decision by the United States circuit court of appeals in this city.

Santa Claus Is a Sensible Old Fellow

Who knows that useful gifts are most appreciated. So it won't be surprising if many of his presents will have our name on the package. Many useful articles here for the Man, the Young Man, or the Boy. This list may aid you in making your selection:

Men's and Young Men's Suits
Could you think of anything more useful than a new Suit? Fabrics, patterns, and models are exclusive. Fit must be accurate and will equal the most careful work of custom tailors.
Suits from $8.00 to $25.00.

Suit Cases, Traveling Bags
For man or woman. Everybody travels at one time or another. Why not buy him or her a Bag or Suit Case.
Bags, $1.00 and up; Suit Cases, $1.00 to $10.

Neckwear
Ever know of a man that had too many Neckties, can't have too many. The newest styles the market affords is here. Make an early selection and get the choicest.
Neckwear, 25c, 50c and $1.00.

Collars and Cuffs
The famous Barker Brand Collars and Cuffs in all the newest conceits.
Collars, 2 for 25c; Cuffs, 25c a Pair.

Fancy Vests
No young man's wardrobe is complete without several Fancy Vests. Plain, white and colored in dainty figure and stripe effects.
Fancy Vests, $1.00 to $4.00

Jewelry
Jewelry is the final finishing touch to a man's dress. A Pin for the tie, Cuff Buttons for the shirt, or a dainty Watch Fob. Choose one or the other—you can't make a mistake.
Pins, 25c to $1.50; Buttons, 25c to $2.00; Fobs, 25c to $3.50

Underwear
Two-piece or Union Suits, cotton or wool, in the weight or color you want it. We're bound to please you, as the best makes on the market are represented here.
25c a Garment, up to $4.00.

Gloves and Mittens
Kid and wool ones. Children's, Boys and Men's Wool Gloves and Mitts from 15c to 50c; Kid Gloves from 50c to $2.00; Fur Gloves, $1.50 to $6.00.

Children's Clothing
Norfolk, Buster Brown, Blouse and Knickerbocker styles in attractive patterns. Please the little fellow with a new suit.
Children's Suits, $2.00 to $8.00.

Dress Shirts
The faultless brands—both the best in the market. White and colored, plain and plaited, attached or detached cuffs.
Dress Shirts, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00.

Hats and Caps
No matter how well dressed the man, if the headgear isn't right, everything else looks wrong. Our Hat and Cap Department is as good as you'll find anywhere and prices are right.
Caps, 25c up to $1.50; Hats, $1.00 to $3.50.

Sweater Coats
For Boys or Men. A variety of colors to choose from. Keep the boys and men warm.
Boys', 23c to $2.00; Men's, $1.00 to $5.00.

Umbrellas
We have those for men. Choosing is easy here, as we carry all grades from the boxwood handle to the pearl and gold handled ones up to $6.00. Plenty of them at prices in between.

Hosiery
Hose always was and always will be an acceptable gift. Fancy or plain, in black or colors. Green is the newest shade.
10c, 15c, 25c and 50c.

Handkerchiefs
Handkerchiefs of all kinds, white or colored, linen or silk, plain or with initials. Put up in fancy boxes, if you choose.
Linen, 5c up to 40c; Silk, 25c to $1.00.

After you have worried a lot about what you are going to give, call on us and see how many things you'll find that will make appropriate gifts. Perhaps you can complete your entire list here.

WERTHEIMER BROS.,
124 N. Pittsburg St., Connellsville.

BURIAL, NOT WEDDING

Bride Dies on Way to Join Betrothed in New York.

New York, Dec. 22.—When the liner Baltic arrived here after a tempestuous voyage Charles C. Clark of Eureka, Utah, learned that the woman he had waited years to wed had died while crossing the ocean to join him in the home he had made for both. The girl—Miss Priscilla Hewlsson, of White Haven, Eng.—was stricken with peritonitis soon after the ship sailed. So rough was the sea that the ship surgeon found it impossible to perform an operation, and after two days' illness death ended her sufferings.

Neither the young woman nor her brother, who accompanied her, had money to defray the cost of burial ashore, but several first cabin passengers, among them Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, wife of the American ambassador to Great Britain, learning of the romance which had come to so tragic an end, made up a liberal purse and arranged to have the body brought to New York for burial.

Clark and Miss Hewlssen had been childhood sweethearts, and when he came to America several years ago she promised to wait until he had made a home and then to come to him.

SHEATZ DECLINES TO PAY

Says Vare Salary Question Must Be Settled by Court.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 22.—The answer of State Treasurer Sheatz to the action for payment of the salary of George A. Vare, deceased, the Philadelphia senator who did not attend a single session of the legislature of 1901 because of sickness, avers that it would be "misapplication of funds" of the state. A mandamus was obtained Friday by Mrs. Vare from the local court requiring him to pay the salary or show cause why.

Declaring that it would be improper for him to pay the money without having it passed upon by the court, he declines to give Mrs. Vare the salary. The attorney general will argue the case Dec. 28 at a session of court set for that date.

Corpse Found in Burlap Bag.

Lambertville, N. J., Dec. 22.—A burlap bag containing a leather coat and a body in such a state of decomposition that it was impossible to fully determine the sex has been found in the Delaware river near here. The body had been wrapped in a clothesline and was weighted down with railroad spikes.

Erb Murder Trial Dec. 29.

Media, Pa., Dec. 22.—The trial of Mrs. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, for the murder of the former's husband, J. Clayton Erb, at Village Green, Delaware county, has been postponed until Dec. 29.

Eating and Drinking

were intended to be a pleasurable as well as a necessary occupation. With a keen appetite and a good digestion, a man or woman should be able to eat almost any good food set before them.

If you do not feel ready for your meals and wholesome food not welcome, your stomach is not in good working order, and you need

Beecham's Pills

to get it strong and keep it well. For your stomach can and should be able to assimilate any reasonable amount of food, and if it cannot there is something wrong with your digestion.

Take Beecham's Pills for distress after eating, bloating, flatulence, stomach pains, dizziness, sick headache, constipation and bilious attacks. These safe and convenient pills strengthen the stomach nerves, increase the muscular energy, and

Promote Digestion

In boxes with full directions 10c. and 25c.

STEEL MADE AT GARY

$26,000,000 Plant, Under Construction For Years, Blows in Furnace.

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 22.—The actual manufacture of steel at Gary, Ind., began when blast furnace No. 12 was blown in and the first step taken in making the Calumet region one of the greatest iron and steel industrial centers of the world.

The $26,000,000 mills are now in active operation and the work will be increased rapidly from now on until it is estimated that 25,000 men will be employed in the giant mills.

UNDER SEALED ORDERS

Battleship and Cruiser Sail From Hampton Roads on Secret Mission.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.—The cruiser North Carolina and battleship Maine have sailed from Hampton Roads under sealed orders. The destination of neither vessel is known, and it is believed here that both are bound for Venezuelan waters.

The North Carolina, with the Montana, has been assigned to convey President-elect Taft to Panama on Jan. 25.

Criswell For Supreme Bench.

Franklin, Pa., Dec. 22.—The Venango Bar association has adopted a resolution recommending Judge George S. Criswell of this city for the supreme court bench to succeed James T. Mitchell, whose term expires in a short time.

Pride went out on horseback and returned on foot.—Italian Proverb.

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Broker Dies.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Harry B. Snydan, the curb broker, who was shot Saturday at his office by John C. Lumsden, a young inventor, died yesterday in the Hudson street hospital. Lumsden was held street hospital. Lumsden was held without bail.

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The Mystery of The Yellow Room

By GASTON LEROUX

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CHAPTER XIII.

"The Presbytery Has Lost Nothing of Its Charm Nor the Garden Its Brightness."

A WEEK after the occurrence of the events I have just recounted—on the 2d of November, to be exact—I received at my home in Paris the following telegraphic message:

Come to the Glandier by the earliest train. Bring revolvers. Friendly greetings. ROULETABILLE.

I had not heard from him for a week, nor of the progress made with that mysterious case, except by the innumerable paragraphs in the newspapers and by the very brief notes of Rouletabille in the Epoque. Those notes had divulged the fact that traces of human blood had been found on the mutton bone as well as fresh traces of the blood of Mlle. Stangerson. The old stains belonged to other crimes, probably dating years back.

It may be easily imagined that the crime engaged the attention of the press throughout the world. No crime known had more absorbed the minds of people. It appeared to me, however, that the judicial inquiry was making but very little progress, and I should have been very glad if, on the receipt of my friend's invitation to rejoin him at the Glandier, the dispatch had not contained the words, "Bring revolvers."

That puzzled me greatly. Rouletabille telegraphing for revolvers meant that there might be occasion to use them. Now, I confess it, without shame, I am not a hero. But here was a friend evidently in danger calling on me to go to his aid. I did not hesitate long, and after assuring myself that the only revolver I possessed was properly loaded I hurried toward the Orleans station. On the way I remembered that Rouletabille had asked for two revolvers. I therefore entered a gunsmith's shop and bought an excellent weapon for my friend.

I had hoped to find him at the station at Epinay, but he was not there. However, a cab was waiting for me, and I was soon at the Glandier. Nobody was at the gate, and it was only on the threshold of the chateau that I met the young man. He saluted me with a friendly gesture and threw his arms about me, inquiring warmly as to the state of my health.

When we were in the little sitting room of which I have spoken Rouletabille made me sit down.

"It's going badly," he said.

"What's going badly?" I asked.

"Everything."

He came nearer to me and whispered:

"Frederic Larsan is working with might and main against Darzac."

This did not astonish me. I had seen the poor show Mlle. Stangerson's fiance had made at the time of the examination of the footprints. However, I immediately asked:

"What about that cane?"

"It is still in the hands of Frederic Larsan. He never lets go of it."

"But doesn't it prove the alibi for M. Darzac?"

"Not at all. Gently questioned by me, Darzac denied having on that evening or on any other purchased a cane at Cassette's. However," said Rouletabille, "I'll not swear to anything. M. Darzac has such strange fits of silence that one does not know exactly what to think of what he says."

"To Frederic Larsan this cane must mean a piece of very damaging evidence. But in what way? The time when it was bought shows it could not have been in the murderer's possession."

"The time doesn't worry Larsan. He is not obliged to adopt my theory, which assumes that the murderer got into the yellow room between 5 and 6 o'clock. There's nothing to prevent him assuming that the murderer got in between 10 and 11 o'clock at night. At that hour M. and Mlle. Stangerson, assisted by Daddy Jacques, were engaged in making an interesting chemical experiment in the part of the laboratory taken up by the furnaces. Larsan says, unlikely as that may seem, that the murderer may have slipped behind them. He has already got the examining magistrate to listen to him. When one looks closely into it the reasoning is absurd, seeing that the 'intimate'—if there is one—must have known that the professor would shortly leave the pavilion and that the 'friend' had only to put off operating till after the professor's departure. Why should he have risked crossing the laboratory while the professor was in it? And then when he had got into the yellow room—

"There are many points to be cleared up before Larsan's theory can be admitted. I shan't waste my time over it, for my theory won't allow me to occupy myself with mere imagination. Only, as I am obliged for the moment to keep silent, and Larsan sometimes talks, he may finish by coming out openly against M. Darzac if I'm not there," added the young reporter proudly, "for there are surface evidences against Darzac much more convincing than the cane which remain incomprehensible to me, all the more so as Larsan does not in the least hesitate to let Darzac see him with it. I understand many things in Larsan's theory, but I can't make anything of that cane."

"Is he still at the chateau?"

"Yes. He hardly ever quits it. He sleeps there, as I do, at the request of M. Stangerson, who has done for him what M. Robert Darzac has done for me. In spite of the accusation made by Larsan that M. Stangerson knows who the murderer is, he yet affords him every facility for arriving at the truth, just as Darzac is doing for me."

"But you are convinced of Darzac's innocence?"

"At one time I did believe in the possibility of his guilt. That was when we arrived here for the first time. The time has come for me to tell you what has passed between M. Darzac and myself."

Here Rouletabille interrupted himself and asked me if I had brought the revolvers. I showed him them. Having examined both, he pronounced them excellent and handed them back to me.

"Shall we have any use for them?" I asked.

"No doubt; this evening. We shall pass the night here if that won't tire you?"

"On the contrary," I said, with an expression that made Rouletabille laugh.

"No, no," he said. "This is no time for laughing. You remember the phrase which was the 'open sesame' of this chateau full of mystery?"

"Yes," I said, "'perfectly. The presbytery has lost nothing of its charm nor the garden its brightness.' It was the phrase which you found on the half burned piece of paper among the ashes in the laboratory."

"Yes. At the bottom of the paper, where the flame had not reached, was this date, 23d of October. Remember this date; it is highly important. I am now going to tell you about that curious phrase. On the evening before the crime—that is to say, on the 23d—M. and Mlle. Stangerson were at a reception at the Elysee. I know that, because I was there on duty, having to interview one of the servants of the Academy of Philadelphia who was being feted there. I had never before seen either M. or Mlle. Stangerson. I was seated in the room which precedes the Salon des Ambassadeurs, and, tired of being jostled by so many noble personages, I had fallen into a vague reverie, when I scented near me the perfume of the lady in black.

"Do you ask me what is the perfume of the lady in black? It must suffice you to know that it is a perfume of which I am very fond, because it was that of a lady who had been very kind to me in my childhood, a lady whom I had always seen dressed in black. The lady who that evening was scented with the perfume of the lady in black was dressed in white. She was wonderfully beautiful. I could not help rising and following her. An old man gave her his arm, and as they passed I heard voices say, 'Professor Stangerson and his daughter.' It was in that way I learned who it was I was following.

"They met M. Robert Darzac, whom I knew by sight, Professor Stangerson, accosted by Mr. Arthur William Rance, one of the American savants, seated himself in the great gallery, and M. Robert Darzac led Mlle. Stangerson into the conservatory. I followed. The weather was very mild that evening. The garden doors were open. Mlle. Stangerson threw a fichu shawl over her shoulders, and I plainly saw that it was she who was begging M. Darzac to go with her into the garden. I continued to follow, interested by the agitation plainly exhibited by the bearing of M. Darzac. They slowly passed along the wall abutting on the Avenue Marigny. I took the central alley, walking parallel with them, and then crossed over for the purpose of getting nearer to them. The night was dark, and the grass deadened the sound of my steps. They had stopped under the vacillating light of a gas jet and appeared to be both bending over a paper held by Mlle. Stangerson, reading something which deeply interested them. I stopped in the darkness and silence.

"Neither of them saw me, and I distinctly heard Mlle. Stangerson repeat as she was refolding the paper, 'The presbytery has lost nothing of its charm nor the garden its brightness.' It was said in a tone at once mocking and despairing and was followed by a burst of such nervous laughter that I think her words will never cease to sound in my ears. But another phrase was uttered by M. Robert Darzac, 'Must I commit a crime, then, to win you?' He was in an extraordinarily agitated state. He took the hand of Mlle. Stangerson and held it for a long time to his lips, and I thought from the movement of his shoulders that he was crying. Then they went away.

"When I returned to the great gallery," continued Rouletabille, "I saw no more of M. Robert Darzac, and I was not to see him again until after the tragedy at the Glandier. Mademoiselle was near Mr. Rance, who was talking with much animation, his eyes during the conversation glowing with a singular brightness. Mlle. Stangerson, I thought, was not even listening to what he was saying, her face expressing perfect indifference. His face was the red face of a drunkard. When M. and Mlle. Stangerson left he went to the bar and remained there. I joined him and rendered him some little service in the midst of the pressing crowd. He thanked me and told me he was returning to America three days later—that is to say, on the 26th, the day after the crime. I talked with him about Philadelphia. He told me he had lived there for five and twenty years and that it was there he had met the illustrious Professor Stangerson and his daughter. He drank a great deal of champagne, and when I left him he was very nearly drunk.

"Such were my experiences on that evening, and I leave you to imagine what effect the news of the attempted murder of Mlle. Stangerson produced on me—with what force those words pronounced by M. Robert Darzac, 'Must I commit a crime, then, to win you?' recurred to me. It was not this phrase, however, that I repeated to him when we met here at Glandier. The sentence of the presbytery and the bright garden sufficed to open the gate of the chateau. If you ask me if I believe now that M. Darzac is the murderer I must say I do not. I do not think I ever quite thought that. At the time I could not really think seriously of anything, I had so little evidence to go on, but I needed to have at once the proof that he had not been wounded in the hand.

"When we were alone together I told him how I had chanced to overhear a part of his conversation with Mlle. Stangerson in the garden of the Elysee, and when I repeated to him the words, 'Must I commit a crime, then, to win you?' he was greatly troubled, though much less so than he had been by hearing me repeat the phrase about the presbytery. What threw him into a state of real consternation was to learn from me that the day on which he had gone to meet Mlle. Stangerson at the Elysee was the very day on which she had gone to the postoffice for the letter. It was that letter perhaps which ended with the words, 'The presbytery has lost nothing of its charm nor the garden its brightness.' My surmise was confirmed by my finding, if you remember, in the ashes of the laboratory the fragment of paper dated Oct. 23. The letter had been written and withdrawn from the postoffice on the same day.

"There can be no doubt that on returning from the Elysee that night Mlle. Stangerson had tried to destroy that compromising paper. It was in vain that M. Darzac denied that that letter had anything, whatever, to do with the crime. I told him that in an affair so filled with mystery as this he had no right to hide this letter; that I was persuaded it was of considerable importance that the desperate tone in which Mlle. Stangerson had pronounced the phrase; that his own fears and the threat of a crime which he had professed after the letter was read—all these facts tended to leave no room for me to doubt. M. Darzac became more and more agitated, and I determined to take advantage of the effect I had produced on him. 'You were on the point of being married, monsieur,' I said negligently and without looking at him, 'and suddenly your marriage becomes impossible because of the writer of that letter—because as soon as his letter was read you spoke of the necessity for a crime to win Mlle. Stangerson. Therefore there is some one between you and her—some one who is preventing your marriage with her; some one who has attempted to kill her so that she should not be able to marry.' And I concluded with these words: 'Now, monsieur, you have only to tell me in confidence the name of the murderer.' The words I had uttered must have struck him ominously, for when I turned my eyes on him I saw that his face was haggard, the perspiration standing on his forehead and terror showing in his eyes.

"'Monsieur,' he said to me, 'I am going to ask of you something which may appear insane, but in exchange for which I place my life in your hands. You must not tell the magistrates of what you saw and heard in the garden of the Elysee; neither to them nor to anybody. I swear to you that I am innocent, and I know I feel that you believe me, but I would rather be taken for the guilty man than see justice go astray on that phrase, "The presbytery has lost nothing of its charm nor the garden its brightness." The judges must know nothing about that phrase. All this matter is in your hands, Monsieur. I leave it there, but forget the evening at the Elysee. A hundred other roads are open to you in your search for the criminal. I will open them for you myself. I will help you. Will you take up your quarters here? You may remain here to do as you please. Eat, sleep here, watch my actions, the actions of all here. You shall be master of the Glandier, monsieur, but forget the evening at the Elysee.'"

Rouletabille here paused to take breath. I now understood what had appeared so inexplicable in the demeanor of M. Robert Darzac toward my friend and the facility with which the young reporter had been able to install himself on the scene of the crime.

"Everything seems to be pointing against him," continued my friend, "and the situation is becoming exceedingly grave. M. Darzac appears not to mind it much, but in that he is wrong. I was interested only in the health of Mlle. Stangerson, which was daily improving, when something occurred that is even more mysterious than—than the mystery of the yellow room."

"Impossible!" I cried. "What could be more mysterious than that?"

"Let us first go back to M. Robert Darzac," said Rouletabille, calming me. "I have said that everything seems to be pointing against him. The marks of the neat boots found by Frederic Larsan appear to be really the footprints of Mlle. Stangerson's fiance. The marks made by the bicycle may have been made by his bicycle. He had usually left it at the chateau. Why did he take it to Paris on that particular occasion? Was it because he was not going to return again to the chateau? Was it because, owing to the breaking off of his marriage, his relations with the Stangersons were to cease? All who are interested in the matter affirm that those relations were to continue unchanged.

"Frederic Larsan, however, believes that all intercourse was at an end. From the day when M. Darzac accompanied Mlle. Stangerson to the department store until the day after the crime he had not been at the Glandier. Remember that Mlle. Stangerson lost her reticule containing the key with the brass head while she was in his company. From that day to the evening at the Elysee the Sorbonne professor and Mlle. Stangerson did not see one another, but they may have written to each other. Mlle. Stangerson went to the postoffice to get a letter which Larsan says was written by Robert Darzac, for, knowing nothing of what had passed at the Elysee, Larsan believes that it was M. Darzac himself who stole the reticule and the key with the design of forcing her consent by getting possession of the precious papers of her father—papers which he would have restored to him on condition that the marriage engagement was to be fulfilled.

(To be Continued.)

OFFICIAL WINTER CAME TODAY.

Have Nine Hours and Eight Minutes Daylight Here, and Youkon Has Little Over Two Hours.

Real winter made its first appearance at 1 o'clock this morning, to remain for a three months' stay, according to the almanac. Of course the weather of late has not been playing according to Hoyle and during the past few months it has been handing out a varied assortment of spring, summer, fall and winter.

The shortest day of the year began today and will continue until December 29. During those days the sun will arise at 7.26 A. M. and set at 4.34 P. M. This gives nine hours and eight minutes sunshine, if the clouds do not obscure the orb.

Up in Dawson, Youkon territory, Alaska, yesterday was the shortest of the year. There was only two hours and 25 minutes of sunlight there. The longest day the Alaskans have is on June 21, when the sun is visible in clear weather for 21 hours and 35 minutes.

Cotton Crop Grows.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The Census Bureau has announced that 11,802,115 bales of cotton have been ginned to December 13, as compared with 9,284,070 to the corresponding date last year. The number of active ginneries reporting was 27,289.

Bank to Soon Reopen.

The First National Bank of New Kensington, which was closed November 5 by National Bank Examiner John S. Cunningham, is expected to reopen in a short time.

Fashion Notes.

By Florence Fairbanks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The season is approaching its height and those in the social swim must devote their thoughts to the planning of gowns and costumes for all sorts of social functions. The planning of ball dresses is always a difficult problem and it is particularly so this season, owing to the radical changes in lines and materials dictated by fashion. Practically all dancing frocks are long this season and, no matter how filmy may be their texture, the majority of them are clinging, although not to the extent of outlining the figure as in the typical Directoire models.

While every imaginable delicate line is now employed for ball costumes, none of them are garish, despite the unprecedented vogue of gold and silver trimmings. The craze for tinsels has resulted in the production of some charming weaves in the ultra-fashionable amethyst, orchid and opal shades. Among these is a silk gauze overlaid with gold and silver floating which makes up into the most fascinating of dancing frocks. These tinsel weaves are worn alike by matrons, girls of several years experience and blushing debutantes and are also used as a foundation for the lightest of nets, for tulles and for chiffons which look positively like clouds about us long.

White is no longer first favorite as a ball room color, although it is still considerably worn by girls in their first season. More fashionable are the dancing frocks showing some slight color relief in the form of delicately colored lace or tinseled medallions and motifs or hand and hand embroideries. These are employed to outline the corsage, as neck and sleeve bands, and, to a limited extent, for decorating the skirt.

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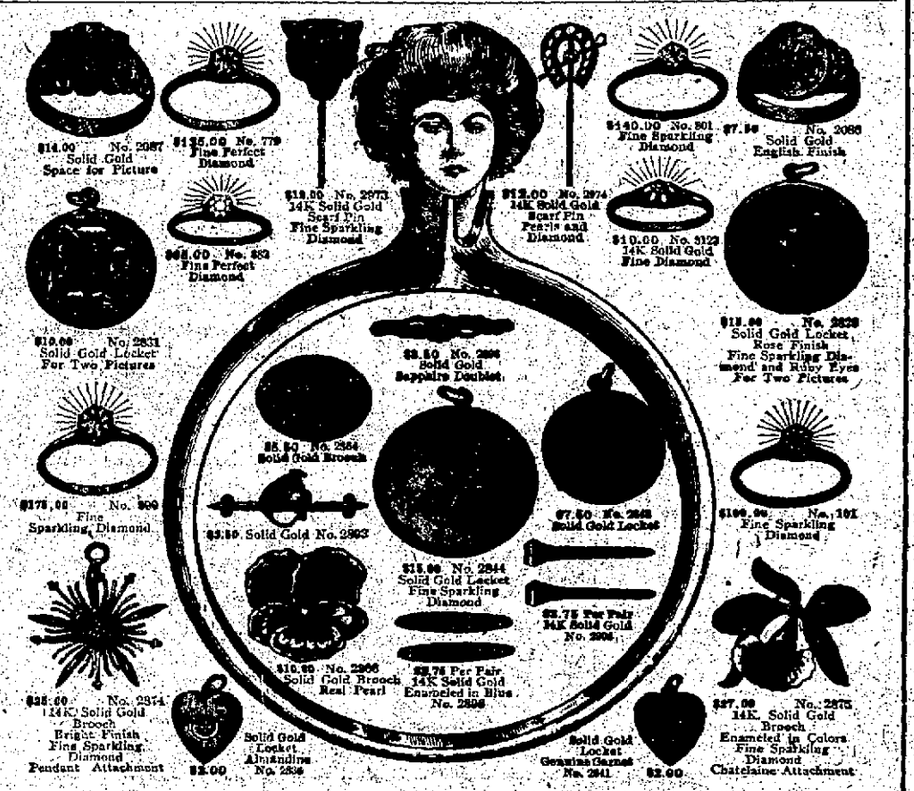

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Painted chiffons and flowered messalines are the most practical of all dancing frock materials. It is true, they cost a trifle more, but they require no more trimming. Chiffon, notwithstanding its apparent delicacy of texture, will withstand a great deal of rough usage, while messaline, soft fine as floss, may be drawn through a bracelet and look scarcely the worse for it.

Cloth dinner gowns are the dernier cri and to be thoroughly chic should be of satin-cashmere or satin-finished broadcloth, made on precisely the same lines as those of silk, satin and velvet. On these gowns appear many of the elaborate trimmings of gold, silver and jet, and the velvet leaf embroideries which also are used on silk, cashmere and broadcloth afternoon reception costumes, many of which are of so elaborate a character that, without their guimpes, they may readily serve as dinner gowns.

Soutache has by no means given place to embroideries or applications, but more particularly is it used on the heavier fabrics such as are worn by "matrons of years" to the opera and to dinners, the intricate braiding being especially effective on the delicately colored broadcloths, which in every other detail are modeled after those of ottoman or satin. Cloth is frequently combined with velvet in much the same manner as is satin with lace in the tunic-draped costumes, the lighter fabric being employed for the skirt, in which event the soutache embroidery appears in disks and scrolls upon both drapery and bodice.

The climax has been reached in winter millinery and by Christmas less exaggerated effects will probably be in vogue. Women of really good taste have never taken up the monstrous flapjack hats with their gigantic flowers and wings with any great enthusiasm and wore those immense hats only on occasions when a carriage could be used. Much more modest styles have been adopted for wear on the street and in public conveyances.

Although filet, net and tulle are prime favorites for the transparent yokes and sleeves worn on nearly every frock, there is a growing tendency to substitute gold and silver lace. This is a pretty fashion in itself, but often is not becoming. It should be soft, with folds of tulle against the neck. Filet net or lace is used as a foundation, and the threads of silver or gold worked out scantily in some kind of small design. The girl who is tired of a turnover linen collar and who does not care to wear the high lingerie stock for everyday use, will be glad to know that the old fashion of tying a ribbon around the neck has been revived. Wide messaline satin ribbon is used, boned at the sides, with a ruching top and bottom. This is placed around the neck, the ends crossed at the back and tied in front in a short, stiff bow. These ribbons are easily adjusted and are becoming to most women.

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By T. Robb Deyarmon.

Readers of The Courier as you are comfortably quartered tonight around your own fireside, with thoughts of another Christmas time near at hand, and you picture in fancy, long, long years ago when a group of drowsy shepards sat watching their flocks by night on Judah's plains, recall that there are scores of children within your reach longing for a visit from Santa Claus.

They are without the comforting influences of the most humble home. For them the star of Bethlehem has never shone bright. They have been the children of misfortune and neglect, ever world, not heavily freighted with charity for the waif and unfortunate.

Now while the Yule-log burns brightly and there's a feeling of joy and light-heartedness as you think of the approach of Christmas, the time, if at no other during the year, when you should not forget that Christ still lives, our King ,leaving an example that has been handed down in song and story, how he cared for the little child through the ages. Why not look about and see how many little ones, for a mere pittance, you can make happy at Christmas time.

"Ah, the Christmas of childhood,
The brave old days of youth;
When all the world was fairy-land,
And all we heard was truth."

There was never a better time to shed a little snushine and scatter some sunbeams, to gladden the pathway, than during Christmas week. Now when the sweet-toned bells are ringing the message that comes down to us through the centuries—"Peace on earth, good will to men," you should look around you and see where there's a tot you can make happy.

You with the blessings of a good home and kind friends, should consider those without a home, and to whom the word parent is but a mockery and to all appearances friendless, and do something to cause the dull eye to brighten and a smile to displace the look of sadness and neglect that has been the outgrowth of poverty and squalid surroundings.

You have only to join the writer on one of his daily trips on the West Penn trolley line, to and from his work, to come in contact with the abandonment of the child of neglect. Only a morning or two ago you could have seen a little girl, clad only in a thin calico dress and barefooted, walking a path that was carpeted with snow and frost. Wouldn't a pair of warm stockings, a pair of shoes and a suit of underwear, with a paper bag containing some oranges, candy and a doll, if it only cost ten cents, make that child think life was not entirely a blank and that some good Santa Claus had cheered the hidden recesses of the heart that had beat a sad requiem for hope that was dead.

The year, since Christmas 1907, been freighted with many disappointed hopes and business depressions have interfered largely with anticipated Christmas festivities. However, there's a noticeable improvement and business resumption comes as a Christmas gift to employer and employe.

If you want a verification of the fact, take a West Penn trolley car for a trip from Greensburg to Brownsville and traverse the branches. There's a blaze at the coke ovens and all is hustle and bustle along the line. The cars are crowded with people and packages and there's everything imaginable being transported from town to country and village.

Talk about packages, why there's everything from a jumping-jack to a saw mill and a Merry Widow hat box. And of all the darned nuisances that was ever found on a trolley car the Merry Widow hat box takes the biscuit. Going home from Connellsville one evening last week it was the writer's misfortune to have an old lady take the end of the seat he occupied. She was carrying one of those ten-bushel boxes containing a "Merry Widow." Only the hat is meant, although there was room for the wearer. She had her own trouble for it occupied about one-third of the aisle of the car. It got a bad jam by a customer hunting a seat, for the conductor was calling out "Move forward, please," and there was a heavy pressure. "What am I to do?" she said, "with this abominable thing. I paid two dollars and thirty-seven cents for it and if there's a bent spoke in the cart wheel when I get home the dickens will be to pay for Sis said I must get the biggest pattern for sale in Connellsville for she wanted the biggest lid in the patch." She at last turned the box cross-wise and before the writer got to his destination he had been squeezed tighter than any deacon ever squeezed a fippeny-bit before dropping it in the contribution box.

This is one of the times that the West Penn railway's service is much in evidence. Going and coming in any direction you haven't long to wait. You can do your Christmas shopping, make a Santa Claus out of yourself get there on time without the use of reindeers. But Santa Claus is not progressive and it will be a long time before he will adopt electricty as the West Penn has done, as a motive power, for in the ages to come he may be found traveling from place to place in the same old way, peculiar to the visionary ideas of happy childhood.

The West Penn trolley service is one of the most substantial Christmas gifts that the Yough region has ever enjoyed. It would seem like drifting backward many decades to lose its thirty-minute service from point to point and especially when doing our Christmas shopping.

Before the close of the week in the churches all over the land will be sung the same old story that is always new:

"All hail the happy festival which brings to great and small,
The same auspicious greeting: "Merry Christmas to you all."
When universal brotherhood asserts its saving grace,
When smiles of gentle sympathy illumine ev'ry face.
When blessings unexpected on the heads of mortals fall.
There's surely nothing like it, "Merry Christmas to you all."

THIS IS EASILY MIXED AT HOME.

Relieves Worst Form of Rheumatism Before You Realize It.

IS TAKEN JUST AFTER MEALS

Acts Promptly on the Kidneys and Bladder and Should Be Given a Trial by Sufferers—Courier Readers Will Make a Mistake If They Fail to Try It.

Cut this out and put in some safe place, for it is valuable and worth more than anything else in the world if you should have an attack of rheumatism or bladder trouble or any derangement of the kidneys whatever.

The prescription is simple and can be made up by any one at home. The ingredients can be had at any good prescription pharmacy and all that is necessary is to shake them well in a bottle.

Here it is: Fluid extract dandelion, one-half ounce; compound Kargon, one ounce; compound syrup of sarsaparilla, three ounces.

Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime. A few doses is said to relieve almost any case of bladder trouble, frequent urination, pain and scalding weakness and backache, pain above the kidneys, etc. It is now claimed to be the method of curing chronic rheumatism, because of its direct and positive action upon the eliminative tissues of the kidneys. It gives them life and power to sift and strain the poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood, relieving the worst form of Rheumatism and kidney and bladder troubles. The extract dandelion acts upon the stomach and liver and is used also extensively for relieving constipation and indigestion. Compound sarsaparilla cleans and enriches the blood. There is nothing better than Kargon Compound for the kidneys.

This prescription is safe to use at any time.

A Good Beginning.

One cannot imagine a more delightful and satisfying breakfast than smoking hot, light and brown griddle cakes. The appetizing odor just makes one's mouth water, and when I smelt it this morning it brought me down to breakfast two steps at a time. But anticipation was not better than realization, for I found the griddle cakes the most delightful I have ever eaten. There was no heavy, stuffy feeling afterwards. I attribute all of these good things to the use of MARVEL FLOUR.

More Red Cross Stamps.

Another supply of red cross stamps has been received and are for sale at the following stores: E. Dunn, Mace & Company, W. N. Leche, S. T. Hood, M. H. Feldstein, E. W. Horner, E. G. Hall, A. B. Kurtz, The Wright-Metzler Company, and Graham & Co.

PISO'S CURE
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

Desirable Christmas Gifts

In Footwear for Ladies, Gentlemen, Boys and Girls. While our line of Christmas Shoes is far superior to any others in this city; our prices are lower:

Ladies' Slippers from 50c to $1.75
Men's Slippers from... 50c to 2.00
Misses' Slippers from.. 40c to .90
Boys' Slippers from... 50c to 1.25
Child's Slippers from.. 30c to .50

Gorman & Co.

"Sell Good Shoes Cheap."

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY.

OPEN EVENINGS FROM NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

Santa Claus is Giving Away Books By the Hundred

Every Child (between the ages of 4 and 10 years) Accompanied by Parents or Guardian (and who visits the basement in the morning) is given a Book by Santa Claus

Old Santa Claus never does things by halves, and these books he is giving away in such quantities are durably made. They're books that the children will keep for a long, long time, and remember the big smiling, good-natured old fellow that gave them. Santa Claus has full charge of toyland now. He expects to see every little boy and girl in this section. He wants them to tell him their wishes and to show them all of these wonderful new toys of his. Toys that do everything—even some that speak. The crowds are immense of course, but its a world of fun.

What Would They Like?

EVERY friend must be remembered—you always feel guilty upon receiving a gift from one who you've forgotten. It is not the cost of a present that brings happiness. It is its fitness. You'll find below various lists of suitable gift things. The prices are most reasonable. We've "shopped around" to a considerable extent and we can authentically say that our Prices strongly commend themselves to persons disposed to economy. Every article offered finds place here because of its goodness. You run no risk of your gift being inferior if purchased here. Every article is critically examined before being presented for sale.

GRANDMOTHER

KNIT SHAWLS
WARM SLIPPERS
GLOVES
APRONS
HANDKERCHIEFS
DRESS GOODS
COMFORT SHOES
SHOPPING BAGS
UMBRELLAS
NECKWEAR
WORK BOXES
POCKETBOOKS
APRON GINGHAMS
WAISTS
SILK PETTICOATS

All Dolls Regularly Priced Above 50 Cents are now Half-Price

Dressed and undressed Dolls—not one excepted.
The greatest pre-holiday offers we've ever made.

Our whole doll family—beautiful blondes, dashing brunettes—prettily dressed—hats, slippers, and all. They didn't know about our store policy when they came—that we don't carry dolls from one season to another—so they are a very down-hearted crowd—to think we've cut their worth in two—when they're just as pretty and winsome as they ever were. But we've hardened our hearts against their tears and sobs, for we know they'll soon be smiling again under the tender care of some happy little mother. The selection is very broad, and every price is cut exactly in half. It's an offer that will cause a grand rush to our big doll store tomorrow.

All Dolls that were priced 75c are now **38c**
All Dolls that were priced $1.50 are now **75c**
All Dolls that were priced $2.00 are now **$1.00**
All Dolls that were priced $2.50 are now **$1.25**
All Dolls that were priced $3.50 are now **$1.75**
All Dolls that were priced $4.00 are now **$2.00**

GRANDFATHER

SLIPPERS
SUSPENDERS
NECKTIES
MUFFLERS
SUSPENDERS
COAT SWEATERS
WARM CAPS
LINED GLOVES
ARCTIC RUBBERS
UNDERWEAR
WOOL HOSE
HANDKERCHIEFS
SMOKING SET
TOBACCO JAR
CANES

BROTHER

CUSHION TOPS
SHAVING SETS
NECKWEAR
SUSPENDERS
CUFF LINKS
SCARF PINS
FOBS
SWEATERS
BATH ROBES
SMOKING JACKET
FANCY VESTS
UMBRELLA
SLIPPERS
HOSIERY
MUFFLERS

Cut Prices on Furs

Welcome News to Gift Seekers

Every piece of fur in the store has been cut in price, thus presenting the finest and most desirable Fur Stocks in Fayette county at prices representing radical savings. Every Fur bought here is thoroughly dependable in quality and style. Lynx, Mink, Blended Squirrel, Jap Mink, Fox and all wanted furs are embodied in this collection newly priced as follows:

All $5.00 Furs at... $3.75
All $7.50 Furs at... $5.50
All $10.00 Furs at... $8.75
All $15.00 Furs at... $11.75
All $20.00 Furs at... $16.50
All $25.00 Furs at... $19.75
All $35.00 Furs at... $27.50
All $50.00 Furs at... $42.50
All $75.00 Furs at... $50.00

FATHER

BATH ROBES
SUIT CASES
GRIPS
UMBRELLAS
HOUSE COATS
SMOKING SETS
SHIRTS
UNDERWEAR
GLOVES
SLIPPERS
NECKWEAR
OVERCOAT
SUSPENDERS
JEWELRY

BABY

CAPS
DRESSES
UNDERWEAR
BOOTEES
MITTENS
HOSE
RATTLES
TOYS
PICTURE BOOKS
COMB AND BRUSH SETS
SHOES
VEILS
FURS
SWEATERS
KNIT COATS

MOTHER

HANDKERCHIEFS
SHOPPING BAGS
SILK PETTICOATS
WAISTS
GLOVES
JEWELRY
PURSES
SCARFS
FURS
DRESS GOODS
WORK BOXES
SLIPPERS
KIMONOS
HOUSE GOWNS
PICTURES

Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets

Radically Lowerd Prices. A Most Timely Offering.

Four groups of these desirable gift things, nicely boxed and ready for giving; enameled backs. Brushes formed of 1st grade bristle; mirror of French plate glass. A gift that will add much to the appearance of any dresser top and that will prove as useful as it is ornamental. We've got too many of them. These lowered prices will quickly remedy this over supply.

$1.50 Sets at... $1.15
$2.25 Sets at... $1.75
$3.00 Sets at... $2.25
$4.00 Sets at... $3.00

LOVER

FINE NECKWEAR
CUFF LINKS
SCARF PINS
MUFFLERS
UMBRELLAS
CIGAR BOXES
BATH ROBES
FANCY VESTS
HOUSE COATS
TOBACCO JARS
SOFA PILLOWS
DEN PICTURES
PIPE HOLDERS
MILITARY BRUSHES
TRAVELING CASES (fitted)

Gift Things at Lowered Prices.

Some stocks have become broken; others are not broken enough—both conditions demand quick, decisive action and the prices below tell just how forcibly we realize the urgency occasioned by these conditions. The lowest pre-Christmas prices you've ever read or heard of.

SWEETHEART

COMB-BRUSH SET
BROOCHES
HAT PINS
HAND BAGS
BOXED NECKWEAR
GLOVES
HANDKERCHIEFS
JEWELRY
SILVER PURSES
TRAVEL SETS
MANICURE SETS
MUSIC ROLLS
PICTURES
FANCY WORK BOXES
JEWEL BOXES
UMBRELLAS

First Floor Specials

50c Shaving Sets... 35c
$1.50 Shaving Sets... $1.10
$4.00 Shaving Sets... $3.00
$1.50 Cuff Boxes... $1.10
75c Glove Boxes... 50c
25c Jewel Cases... 19c

MEN'S SATCHELS.

Values from $5 to $10, now $3.75 to $7.50
$1.50 Sofa Pillows... $1.19

MEN'S MUFFLERS.

75c kinds at... 55c
$1.00 kinds at... 75c
$1.50 kinds at... $1.12
$2.00 kinds at... $1.50
$2.50 kinds at... $1.85

MILITARY BRUSHES.

$3.00 kinds at... $2.50
$1.00 Pictures... 75c
Yard Long Pictures... 39c

Basement Specials

CHILDREN'S CROCHET SETS.

25c ones... 15c
50c ones... 35c

TOY DOLL HOUSES.

$1.00 Houses at... 50c
$1.50 Houses at... 75c
$2.00 Houses at... $1.00

MONEY BANKS.

50c Banks at... 25c
75c Banks at... 38c
$1.00 Banks at... 50c

TOY AIR SHIPS.

75c values... 39c
$1.00 Printing Press... 68c
$1.50 Printing Press... $1.00
30c Puzzle Blocks... 15c

MOVING PICTURE MACHINES.

$1.50 Magic Lanterns... $1.00
$3.50 Machines at... $2.35
$4.50 Machines at... $3.00
6.00 Machines at... $4.00
$10.00 Machines at... $6.56

Second Floor Specials

$7.50 Black Petticoats... $5.00

CHILDREN'S COATS.

Were $5.00 to $10.00; are now priced... $1.98

CHILDREN'S HEADWEAR.

Were $1.00 and $1.25; now priced... 50c

CHILDREN'S BEARSKIN CAPS

Worth 50c and 75c; now priced... 19c

WOMEN'S SUITS.

$11.50 Suits at... $8.50
$12.50 Suits at... $10.00
$15.00 Suits at... $11.50
$18.00 Suits at... $13.50
$20.00 Suits at... $15.00
$22.50 Suits at... $16.75
$25.00 Suits at... $18.75
$27.50 Suits at... $20.50
$28.50 Suits at... $21.00
$32.50 Suits at... $24.00
$35.00 Suits at... $26.00
$37.50 Suits at... $28.00
$38.00 Suits at... $28.75
$45.00 Suits at... $33.75
$50.00 Suits at... $37.50
$65.00 Suits at... $47.50

SISTER

HANDKERCHIEFS
HAIR ORNAMENTS
JEWELRY
CARD TRAYS
INK WELLS
BON-BON DISHES
CUT GLASS
BRIC-A-BRAC
NECKWEAR
HOSIERY
WAISTS
SLIPPERS
UMBRELLAS
HAND BAGS
JEWEL BOXES